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Hartford Man Was Shot Down on His Own Doorstep

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 26.—Samuel Rodinsky was shot down and fatally wounded on the door steps of his home early today and his assailant who is believed to have been a thug escaped. On the ground near Rodinsky's body was found a black mask, a black cap and a black bag. Two shots were fired at Rodinsky, the bullet through the left temple being fatal. The victim kept a drygoods store in Pleasant street and a saloon in the same neighborhood. The police have a theory that the man watched his movements and followed him from the store after he had closed up shortly after midnight believing that he would have in his pocket the receipts of the day from both places of business.

CRUELTY TO HORSE

Sensational Testimony Relative to Abuse of Horse by Two Men

Joseph W. McDonald and Euclid Vachon were arraigned in police court this morning on a complaint charging them with cruelty to a horse on the eighth of December upon complaint brought by Agent Richardson of the Lowell Humane society. Patrolman Dennett testified that he was with Agent Richardson on the day that the defendants were placed under arrest. He knew both young men and said that they worked for McDonald's brother, who is a furniture mover. Witness testified that when he saw the horses, a black and a bay, they were attached to a wagon and were in a vacant lot on Orleans street. He found bunches and welts on the back of the black horse. The bay horse appeared to all right. Witness said that in conversation with McDonald the latter said that the black horse had become balky and he had used a whip and stick on the animal. Eugene Vachon, 14 years of age, was the next person called and he proved to be an exceptionally bright witness, counsel for the defense being unable to break down the boy's direct testimony during cross examination. Witness said that he saw the defendants beat the black horse with a whip and stick, also saw Vachon kick the horse while the animal was on the ground. Guy Sweet, aged 14 years, saw Vachon beating the horse with a whip. The horse fell down and while it was on the ground Vachon kicked the animal in the stomach. McDonald, witness said, hit the horse twice with a whip. Frances Dow testified that the horses were unable to climb a steep hill on a street, the name of which she did not know, whereupon Vachon hit the black horse over the back with a stick and then the horses galloped up the hill. Going into Orleans street the wagon wheels sunk into the mud and McDonald and Vachon started to beat the black horse, Vachon using the butt end of the whip and McDonald using a stick. The horse then fell down and both men kicked it in the stomach. She also saw the animal struck over the ears with the lash of the whip. Fanny Hubbard saw the men whipping the horses as they came up the hill in Cumberland road. Later she saw the horses in the field. The black horse was down and both men were beating the horse, one using a whip and the other a bean pole. She also saw one of the men kick the horse when it was on the ground. Mrs. Louise Jorde said she saw the men "hitting" the horses so long that she went out and told them to stop. Agent Richardson, of the Humane society, testified that as a result of a telephone call he went to the scene of the alleged beating and found a covered wagon with a pair of horses attached to it. Two men were unloading either coal or coke. Examining the black horse he found a large number of bruises on the horse's back, the bruises ranging from four inches to eight or ten inches in length. He asked the men if they had beaten and kicked the horse and they acknowledged that they had and added "What are you going to do when a horse won't pull down hill." The government rested its case at this point. John H. McDonald, piano and furniture mover, testified to being the owner of the horses and always found Vachon to be an easy and careful driver, and a man who used good judgment. As a result of what he had been told he examined the black horse and found neither bruises nor lumps on the horse. Joseph W. McDonald, one of the defendants, testified that he had had something to do with horses almost since he was born, and gave the names of various people for whom he had worked as coachman. Coming down the day of the alleged brutality to the horse witness said that the horse stopped on the hill in Cumberland road and that Vachon struck the animal twice. The horse stopped a little farther on and when witness started to turn the animal and fell down. Witness said that a fellow named Jorde and a son of one of the witnesses for the government started to assist in raising the horse and when the latter would not get up he kicked it three times in the stomach. There was no whip used while the horse was on the ground. Euclid Vachon, also a defendant in the case, corroborated the testimony offered by McDonald.

DEATHS

RIVET—Adelard Rivet died yesterday at his home, 737 Allen street, aged 49 years. He leaves a wife and eleven children, Albert, William, Rosario, Viator, Lena, Dolor, Delina, Agnes and Leona Rivet, Mrs. Gedeon Wagner and Mrs. Albert Genest.

O'DONNELL—Thomas O'Donnell, for the past 60 years a resident of Lowell, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Ellen O'Donnell, 83 Reservoir terrace, Lawrence, Mass. He is survived by a wife, Alice, two sons, James P. O'Donnell of Lowell and John J. O'Donnell of Denver, Colo.; two sisters, Miss Ellen O'Donnell and Mrs. Mary Sullivan of Lawrence, Mass. The funeral will take place Monday morning from the home of his daughter in Lawrence. Solemn mass of requiem at St. Patrick's church in Lowell at 9:45 o'clock.

KELEY—Eugene C. Kelley died Thursday at his home, 3 Bertha ave. He leaves besides his widow, his father, Clarence E. Kelley, and one brother.

LETOURNEAU—Lucien Letourneau died Thursday at his home, 1301 Joliet avenue, aged 38 years, 9 months. He leaves a wife and two daughters, Mrs. Marie Blouin and Alexis Letourneau.

COURSER—William H. Courser, for 43 years a resident of this city, died Thursday night at his home, 183 Powell street. He was a Civil war veteran, a former member of Post G. A. R., and a member of Court General Shields, P. of A. For some time he was the janitor of the Franklin school. He leaves a wife, Margaret, three sons, William H. of Boston, Ralph J. and Paul B. of this city, and one daughter, Sadie A., also of this city.

DONOGHUE—Roger Donoghue, aged 1 year, 10 months, child of Jeremiah and Bridget, died yesterday at the home of his parents, 60 Corbett street. Funeral Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. J. F. Rogers in charge.

MCGRATH—At midnight on Christmas eve, Michael McGrath of 231 Pleasant street died as the direct result of heart failure but in reality of old age. He had been in failing health for a couple of years but bore his infirmities with great patience and fortitude. He was born in Ireland but had been in this city over 25 years. He was a hard working, honest and industrious man. He leaves to mourn his loss two sons, John, at whose home he died, and Frank, and one daughter, Margaret. Funeral Monday at 8 o'clock from the house and 9 o'clock from the Immaculate Conception church.

HALL—Lyle Hall, aged 63 years, 11 months, died today at his home, 1326 Bridge street, Draught centre. He is survived by a widow and one son, Irving L. Hall of Montreal, Canada. Funeral notice later.

David Manning of ward four will be a candidate for common council in 1909.

Elaborate Decorations, Eloquent Sermons and Impressive Music Were Features of Observance

The grand festival of Christmas was observed in all the Catholic churches yesterday with solemn services, eloquent sermons, elaborate decorations and grand music. The elaborateness of the music, however, has been greatly curtailed from former years owing to the new rule of the Vatican which calls for more devotional music and a closer adherence to the liturgy. The nativity scene, popularly called "The Crib" was in place in every church and some were exquisitely beautiful.

St. Peter's Church. At St. Peter's church at 10:30 o'clock mass, yesterday, the new curate, Rev. John T. O'Brien, formerly of the Gate of Heaven church, South Boston, preached his first sermon in Lowell. A solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. Daniel Heffernan, assisted by Rev. John T. O'Brien, sub-deacon and Acolyte, Thomas Markham, master of ceremonies. The pastor of the church, Rev. Fr. Roman occupied a seat in the sanctuary. The regular choir was augmented for the occasion and did splendid work. The regular choir under the direction of Prof. P. P. Haggerty rendered Casella's Gregorian mass and in a manner which showed the result of careful preparation. The soloists were: Miss May Whiteley, Mr. Frank Kane, Mr. David P. Martin, Mr. Arthur Perreault, Mr. L. F. Sheehan, Mr. James E. Donnelly. The sermon by Rev. Fr. O'Brien was highly instructive, dealing with the meaning of the great festival. He showed himself a preacher of considerable power, speaking contemporaneously. He took up the story of Christmas and told how the Redeemer was born. He drew a lesson from the crib, and earnestly pleaded for aid to them as they, too, had something to live for beyond this world. "Life does not end here. Do good to the poor; let peace and good will prevail everywhere and win for yourselves by example and precept an eternal Christmas in Heaven."

Immaculate Conception With the exception of the presence of an orchestra the services at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday were of the same elaborate nature as in years gone by though the music was in accordance with the new rules governing church music. The church was beautifully adorned. From the ceiling of the ceiling a huge Christmas bell was hung while from this central point ropes of green extended to and around the pillars of the church. The sanctuary was similarly adorned with the addition of many tiny electric bulbs along the ropes of green. The altar was abundantly adorned with flowers and white red lights and candle lights gleamed.

The day's services began with a high mass at 6 o'clock, celebrated by Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O. M. I., at which the music was the mass of the Angels. The singing was by the choir, under the direction of Mrs. Hugh Walker, the organist. The impressive beauty of the service was enhanced by Mrs. Walker's rendition on the organ of familiar Christmas hymns. At the solemn mass at 10:30 the celebrant was Rev. John P. Reynolds, O. M. I., with Rev. Brother James McDermott, O. M. I., as sub-deacon, and John Roche, O. M. I., as sub-singer. It was preceded by a procession of the sanctuary choir, singing Christmas anthems among them "Morn of Gladness," Fr. Sullivan's composition. The line was led by Masters Carroll and while singing, in red cassocks and amir of American beauty roses. The boy choir members wore long bows of red pinned on their surplices. The pastor, Rev. John M. McRory, O. M. I., spoke briefly at this mass as at the masses on the lessons taught from the Gospels. Robert Krametschke's mass, which was sung when Archbishop O'Connell received the sacred pallium. At the offertory Miss Margaret E. Smith sustained the solo in Van Rensselaer's "Noel" while the choir sang "Noel." After the offertory, Mrs. Walker played and the sanctuary choir sang recessional.

Patrick McGuire had the solo in the anthem "Minuit Chretiens," by Adam.

The sanctuary choir was composed of the members of Companies C and D, being Patrick McGuire and Gerald Beane, both of whom possess reced.

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THE DAY AFTER

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DEATH OF GIRL MANY WERE KILLED

Believed to Have Been Due to Poison

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Mary Daly, an employe of a large Washington street store, died at the Relief hospital today, the cause of death being thought to be a dose of some corrosive poison taken with suicidal intent. The young woman lived on Hancock street in the West End section of the city. Last night she visited the room of Abraham Bernstein, head of the department in which she was employed. Bernstein lodges at 61 Hancock street. When Bernstein came in later, according to his story, he found the woman unconscious on the floor. Pending an autopsy by the medical examiner, Bernstein is held by the police. It is believed, however, that the woman took poison because Bernstein had announced his intention of going to New York, leaving her behind in Boston. The Daly woman's home is not known, but a letter addressed to Miss Julia Jaynes, 38 Locust street, Rochester, N. Y., led the police to believe that Miss Daly's home might be in that city.

BROWN IS HOME

Mayor-Elect Returned Last Evening

Mayor-elect Brown has returned from Jordan Mountain, King's county, N. B. Mr. Brown went to Jordan Mountain for the purpose of settling his father's estate. His father died about one year ago. On his visit to the old home, Mr. Brown was accompanied by his private secretary, Winfred C. MacBryne, and to a reporter of The Sun, Mr. Brown, today, said that he would immediately proceed to the preparation of his inaugural address. He adheres to his intention not to issue any invitations for inaugural day and he wants the public to know that all are invited. The mayor-elect did not arrive home until last evening. He encountered a stormy passage from St. John and the boat was several hours late in arriving, so he was obliged to spend his Christmas, or the greater part of it, at sea. Mr. Brown said he did not shoot any of the big game such as attracts our take a random shot at a bear that was preparing his winter quarters. Bruin didn't seem to mind the salute and the mayor-elect being a military man decided that he had offered sufficient courtesy and let it go at that. His private secretary had his first target shooting at Mountain, King's county, N. B., at Jordan. Mr. Brown shot a rabbit and shot a moose bird 50 yards away.

A LIVELY BLAZE

In a House in Wannalancit Street

The alarm from box 62 about 12 o'clock this forenoon was for a fire in the residence of William A. Cook, 33 Wannalancit street, who is the well known overseer of the ring spinning department of the Tremont mills. A boy named O'Donnell discovered the roof of the front portion of the house ablaze and called the attention of Driver George Simmons of the American Express company to the same and he quickly rung in the alarm. The fire which was quite severe was confined mainly to the upper portion of the house and considerable water was used before the blaze was extinguished. Chief Hosmer on being asked about the amount of damage as a result of the blaze said that he was unable to say.

HE WAS FINED \$1

Because He Obstructed a Sidewalk

In police court today James Poole, 19 years of age, pleaded guilty to a complaint charging him with obstructing Lagrange street and was fined \$1.

Sent to Jail

James F. McGuire was charged with being drunk. It was his 15th appearance before the court and his second within a year. Patrolman John H. Bennett informed the court that McGuire was constantly drunk and the court decided to give him a vacation of two months in jail.

Agred Woman in Court.

Mary Rouleau, an elderly woman, made her 22nd appearance before the court. It was her second offense within a year and she escaped with a fine of \$5.

Joseph and George Caron, David Knox, Daniel J. Forrest and Napoleon Caron, several offenders, were each fined \$5.

There were three first offenders who were assessed the usual \$2 and \$2 were released without appearing in court.

FUNERAL NOTICES

BLAKE—Died in Everett, Dec. 23d, Ira Southern Blake, aged 71 years, 11 months, 21 days. Funeral services will be held at his late residence, 33 Mainfield street, Lowell, Sunday, Dec. 27th at 2 p. m. Interment at Elmwood cemetery, Lowell.

COURSER—The funeral of the late William H. Courser will take place Sunday afternoon from his late home, 183 Powell street, at 2:30 o'clock. Services at St. Peter's church at 2:30. Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

Fierce Fight Between Moscow Officials and Revolutionists

MOSCOW, Dec. 26.—Baron Cotte, chief of the secret political police was killed and Col. Muraki was wounded in a fierce encounter today with revolutionists who were intruding in a number of policemen were killed and others were wounded. Troops were summoned to the aid of the police and a regular battle ensued. Artillery had finally to be brought to the scene to bombard the villa where the revolutionists were holed up. The encounter is the most serious since the uprising of December 15, 1907. The villa where the fighting took place occupies a strategic position on Elk Island in the river near Moscow that is a favorite summer resort. The leaders of a revolutionary organization were holding a meeting in the house. The police got wind of the affair and surrounded the villa with the idea of making a number of arrests. As they approached the house the revolutionists opened fire. This resistance was unexpected and the police withdrew. Then infantry were sent for and with this reinforcement a second advance was made. The police and the soldiers had to retire a second time and it was in this encounter that Baron Cotte was killed. When the artillery appeared a few well directed shots put an end to the trouble. The losses sustained by the revolutionists are not known but they doubtless are heavy.

IMPORTANT WORK

Has Been Done by Lands and Buildings Department

Following is, in part, a brief outline of the most important work done by the buildings department during the year that is fast drawing to a close. The report is printed as submitted by the department: City Hospital—Completed a new shed started last year and repaired an old shed. Replinked cow barn, new stalls in horse barn. Six steel cattle in hospital, three new bath rooms with all new fixtures and "karbolith" floors with sanitary base. Partition in main entrance separating hospital from superintendent's quarters, also new screen doors, five storm windows in office. Out-buildings painted. Run new blow-off pipe in "Akron" pipe. Brick floor in wash room, three apartment wash tray. Ten chimneys re-framed and seats at 200-500 and 600 yard ranges. New bulkheads and run to pit, warming pan. Repaired bulkheads at 500 and 600 yard ranges and protector, between 500 and 200 yard ranges. Police station and stable—All of first floor of station, except cells, repainted. Salsomined and papered. New roofing on stable about 3573 sq. ft. Repaired stalls in stable. Engine 1 house—Printed all of apparatus room, repaired stalls. Engine 2 house—Moved old woodshed and built brick shed for the exercise wagons. Repaired stalls and general repairs. Engine 3 house—Widened the entrance on steamer side, new doors. Stairs in box stall, brass hinges and lagging on all stalls. New bayrach light. Engine 4 house—Glass front to sleeping room. Stall repairs. Engine 5 house—Snowguard on roof and brick areas around windows. Engine 6 house—Painting all down stairs, new screens, new floor in attic, repaired weather vane. Concreting around building. Horse 1 house—Installing new bath room at present, all new fixtures. New bulkhead and repairing brickwork on tower. New doors to wagon shed. Horse 8 house—New clothes closets, stall repairs. Horse 9 house—New floors, doors and bulkhead. Painting. Stall repairs. Horse 10 house—New stall pans on both horse and truck sides. New stairs on truck side. Painting stock room and sitting room. Stall repairs. Horse 11 house—General repairs, stall repairs. Truck 2 house—175 feet of new galvanized iron gutter, repairs to roof and brickwork. Changing over fixtures in bath room. Protective 1 house—Extra closets, coat bins. Painted outside, also bath room. Repairs to stalls. In all the above buildings changes were made to conform to new regulations. The fire boxes of boilers were also repaired. This work alone cost in the vicinity of \$1500.

FUNERALS

HEILEMAN—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Heileman took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the funeral parlors of James H. McKenna. The bearers were James H. Ward, Michael H. Sullivan, John Cogger and John E. Gordon. Burial was in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Mullin of St. Michael's church read the committal service at the grave. Funeral Director James W. McKenna was in charge.

GRANEY—The funeral of Elizabeth Grane took place this morning from the chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons at 8:30 o'clock. The remains were taken to the Immaculate Conception church where a mass of requiem was sung by the Rev. Fr. Henry D. M. I. The bearers were Patrick X. J. Hearn, Martin Hearn, James Leach and Frank Dociett. Among the floral offerings were a pillow inscribed "There is Sweet Rest in Heaven" from B. E. Meigs; spray, Mrs. Margaret Green; spray, Mrs. Gertrude Webb; spray, Miss Lillian Green. The interment was in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Fr. Flynn. The funeral being in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

WALTER F. SMITH, Inspector of Buildings.

built, repairs to boiler and brickwork. Roofing shed. General repairs. Ambulance stable—connected same up to sewer, new doors. Board of health, stables—Roofed sheds. City Hall—Repairs to brick work and alterations to boilers to conform to state regulations. Repairs to stables, new cables on elevator. At being opened the basement floor is being repainted and kalsomined. City stables—Roofed 6650 feet of sheds. Repaired stalls, new brass hinges of same and lagging. Carpenter shop—Had armature on motor repaired. Memorial building—New roof on bay window, library section and hall section, about 145 feet of gravel roofing. Replinked main entrance doors. Extended storm system by installing several sections of gutters. Light house—Repaired this building which was in a bad way. Shinkled and painted exterior. Ride time, built bridge over swamp, extended 300 yard range. Barb wire fence along 300 yard range and steps up to range. New target

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CHRISTMAS JOY

Gifts Were Distributed at the Local Protestant Churches

The Episcopal churches of the city observed Christmas in an elaborate manner as in the Catholic churches, while the churches of other denominations held the religious observance on last Sunday and devoted yesterday to Christmas trees and entertainments.

At St. Anne's.
Services were held on Christmas eve in St. Anne's church while the children welcomed the day with Christmas carols. There were decorations of green and white, the holy communion was celebrated at 7 o'clock a. m. and there was the usual Christmas service with a sermon, at 10 o'clock, followed by the communion service. The Christmas hymns and anthems were especially well sung by the vestal choir, and the customary musical parts of the regular prayer book service were more elaborately set than usual.

St. John's Church.
At St. John's church in Gorham street there was an early communion service, and a Christmas service at 10:30 followed by communion. The Christmas music was sung by a vestal choir. The decorations were ropes of green festooned from the gothic rafters.
Processional: "O Come, All Ye Faithful"..... Randall
Venite..... Randall
Te Deum..... John E. West
Benedictus..... B. Tour
Hymn: "Mark! the Herald Angels Sing"..... Mendelssohn
Kyrie..... Eyre
Hymn: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"..... Willis
"Merry: "There Were Shepherds"..... Willis
A. B. Gaud
Sanctus..... A. Stainer
Gloria in Excelsis..... Old Chant
Recessional: "Angels from the Realms of Glory"..... H. Smart
House of Prayer.

Owing to the illness of the rector, Rev. Eugene F. Heald, the usual Christmas day services were omitted at the House of Prayer in Walker street, with the exception of the midnight communion, which was celebrated by Rev. Edmund Booth Young of St. Luke's church, Chelsea. The service was the full choral eucharist. There were elaborate decorations of evergreen and holly, with a profusion of flowers around the altar.

At Pawtucketville.
Mr. George Palmer officiated as Santa Claus at the Christmas tree of the Sunday school of the Pawtucket Congregational church last evening. Christmas trees laden with gifts formed the decorations. The following program was presented: Exercise by Miss Seton's class; recitations by Emily Page, Sophie Hughes, Evelyn Mills, Annie Hobbs, Helen Williston, Emma Keaworth, Florence Bickford, solo by Ethel Willmot, accompanied by Miss Jackson: "Oh, Little Star of Bethlehem," recited in English by Frances Johnson, Evelyn Mills, Edith Cameron and Elizabeth Barrie.

Ellet Church.
A Christmas tree supper and entertainment were the features of the Christmas party at the Ellet church at which 200 persons were present. The children made merry during the afternoon and supper was served at 6 o'clock. Mr. George S. Hull officiated as Santa Claus and remembered everyone present. Santa Claus was assisted by Alvin Sykes, W. J. Blake and Miss Harriet Wakenfield.

Fifth Street Baptist.
The Bible school and friends held their annual Christmas entertainment at the Fifth Street Baptist church, last evening. A beautiful manger scene was displayed and there were two Christmas trees. At the manger an inside choir was heard.

Christmas songs, The account of the Saviour's birth from Ben Hur was read and an explanation of Jesus' idea of Christmas was given by Rev. G. W. Fuller. The "Three Wise Men" then appeared in Oriental costume and a solo was given by Louis M. Sweatt. Those who took part were the following:

Wise men, Mr. Roscoe B. Thomas, Mr. M. J. Kaines, Mr. Wm. M. Park; reader, Miss Florence Stites; story, Rev. G. W. Fuller; members of school, Miss Gertrude Stites, Miss Jennie M. Shaw, Burton Stites, David Waring; frontier boy, Arthur Isherwood; Indian boy, Milton F. McDonald; show boy, James Clayton; breakman, Paul Sweatt; Japanese, Roy Fuller; Chinese, Albert Whitman.

A generous offering was taken for the work of the American Baptist Missionary Union in foreign lands.

First Trinitarian.
The Sunday school of the First Trinitarian church held its annual Christmas tree and entertainment last evening with a large attendance.

At 7 o'clock an entertainment, consisting of the following numbers was given: Reading, George Williams; song, Curtis Mudgett; recitation, Agnes Jeyes and Dorothy Moody; sketch, "A

Santa Claus Nap," by the members of the different classes.
At the conclusion of the entertainment, Santa Claus, in the person of Walter Robinson, distributed 250 boxes of Page's candy to the children as well as the presents sent by the parents.
A pleasant feature of the evening's program was the presentation of a picture, Raphael's "Madonna of the Child," to the Sunday school, by Rev. and Mrs. Kengott. The picture is one secured by Mr. Kengott, during his recent trip through Switzerland.
The pleasant affair was in charge of Supt. Albert Lapewia who was assisted by Mrs. C. T. Upton and Miss Sisti-Craglie.

Branch Street Baptist Church.
Christmas exercises were held last night in Highland hall by the Branch Street Baptist church. The entertainment opened at 7:30 o'clock with an operetta entitled "A Mother's Christmas," in which a number of the members of the Sunday school took part. Following the entertainment came the distribution of Christmas gifts.

The entertainment and tree programs were under the direction of Miss Heloise B. Ellis. E. R. Holzel made a splendid Santa Claus. Mrs. Walter Brown took the part of Mother Goose in the playlet, and Mrs. F. W. Bowen assisted largely in the management of the affair.

Those who took part in the operetta and assisted in the distribution of gifts were: Mrs. Walter Brown, Miss Hazel Sargent, Master Paul McGregor, Donald, Harold and Helen Stephens, Elliot and Kenneth Roberts, Ralph and William Burg, Earle Stevenson, Stella Earle, Beatrice and Blanche Smith, Edna Clement, and Irene Christian. Miss Sarah Clement was the pianist of the evening.

First Baptist.
The Christmas tree festival at the First Baptist church was held on Christmas eve. The stereopticon entertainment included over 100 views of the life of Christ, and also pictures of Mr. L. T. Trull, superintendent of the primary department; of Rev. Dr. Wallace, and of the evening pastor, Rev. S. W. Cummings. The explanation of the Christmas tree was given by Rev. G. E. Thompson. There were two beautiful Christmas trees, lavishly decorated and illuminated by electric lights arranged by Mr. John Carter. At the proper time, Santa Claus appeared and the gifts were distributed to every child in the primary department, and others. There was a large attendance.

Universalist Sunday School.
The members of the Sunday school of the First Universalist church enjoyed their Christmas tree the evening before.
The entertainment opened with a Christmas cantata entitled, "A Friend in Need." There were four musical numbers in the piece, the following taking part: Brookes, Hutchins, Bennett, Francis Fletcher, Richmond, Melcher, Charles Bachelder, Donald Estabrook, Sidney Varney and Robert Kitteridge and Carrie Mae Bangs, Kitchin, Gladys Jenkins, Virginia Thompson, Luma Carruthers, Agnes Ferguson, Dorothy Leeds, Marlon Downs, Gladys Long and Ruth Dickey. L. H. DeVe, superintendent of the Sunday school, was the Santa and the Christmas tree on the stage was made the center of all interest after the cantata. The cantata and fairies assisted in the distribution of presents. The evening's pleasure closed with the serving of ice cream and cake.

Christmas Tree Exercises.
The annual Christmas tree exercises were held Thursday night at the North Billerica Baptist church. There were two large trees heavily laden with gifts which were distributed during the evening. Selection Harry G. Sheldon acting as Santa Claus.

A delightful supper was served and the following entertainment program was given:
Recitation, "No Stockings to Wear," Bouslog; recitation, "A Christmas Song," Annie Moran; recitation, "Santa's Secret," Dorothy Bowdler; recitation, "No Santa Claus," Ruby Treffry; exercise by five girls, "White Shepherds Watched Their Flocks." The affair was held under the general direction of Archibald Ritchie, superintendent of the Sunday school.

Other Churches.
A Christmas cantata "Santa's Mixup" and tree, were the attractions at the Paige Street Baptist church.

"What happened to Santa," a delightful cantata was given at the Centralville M. E. church.

A big Christmas tree was held at the Central M. E. church.

A children's festival and distribution of gifts took place at the Ministry of the Larger. Over 100 gifts were distributed.

A Christmas tree and a play were the attractions at the French Baptist church.

THE NEW RULER OF VENEZUELA



WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The coup of General Juan Vicente Gomez and his assumption of rule in Venezuela is regarded in some European quarters with suspicion. Cables from London intimate that Castro was cognizant of the coup, but this view is not shared at Washington. Germany looks with favor on the new government and the French newspapers hail with satisfaction what they consider the definite downfall of Pres. Castro, and commend the energetic attitude of Holland as an important influence in the collapse of a reign of violence and insubordination.

WOMAN RESCUED

Taken From Burning Building in Lawrence

LAWRENCE, Dec. 26.—Narrow escapes from death were connected with a slight fire last evening in the cellar of a three-story, six-stement block, 77 Valley street, owned by John D. Murphy.

The blaze which started in some old stables, and is believed to have resulted from an overturned lamp, created a dense smoke which would have suffocated some of the tenants, had it not been for the firemen who explored every room and rescued two.

Emily McDonald, who appeared at a window in the third story, crying for help, was saved by Lieut. Gibson, who lifted her out and delivered her to Fireman Thomas, Craven, who carried her down a ladder to safety.

Assistant Engineer Tovey, in searching a room on the second floor, found across the hallway body of Eddie Kochlasko, 2 years old, and took him to a neighboring house, where a doctor saved him. Several persons escaped in their night clothes.

The damage from the fire was confined to the cellar, and is believed to be not more than \$100. It is covered by insurance.

MATRIMONIAL

Mr. Frank Cornell Jackson, an overseer in the Middlesex mills and Miss Alice May Nash, were united in marriage at the home of the bridegroom's mother, 25 Hurd street, Thursday afternoon at five o'clock by Rev. L. D. Manchester, D. D. Mr. Nelson Nash of Springfield acted as best man and Mrs. Nelson Nash as matron of honor.

The bride wore a dress of white silk, Princess style. She carried white roses. After the ceremony, a wedding supper was served to friends. There was a number of out-of-town relatives and friends present. There were many beautiful presents, including one from the overseer in the Middlesex mills, and several from friends in Italy. The house was handsomely decorated for the occasion, holly leaves and white pinks forming the greater part of the scheme.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson left for their honeymoon on the 5:15 train. They will visit Toronto, on their return they will live at 35 Hurd street.

KELLEY-WELCH.

Mr. Wilbur B. Kelley of 11 Burnside street and Miss Margaret Welch of 32 Newhall street were united in marriage Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Charles Burton, 32 Newhall street, by Rev. A. E. Kenyon.

ROPER-HUBLEY.

A very pretty home wedding took place last night at the residence of Mr. Joseph Caron, 412 Fletcher street, when Miss Blanche Maudie Hubley and Mr. Albert Henry Roper were united in marriage by Rev. Asa Reed Dills.

The best man was Mr. William Henry Melroy and the bride was attended by Miss Blanche Wright. The bride's gown was of white chiffon trimmed with white satin. The bride carried a shower bouquet of bride roses. The bride and groom were carried in a limousine to the church.

The ushers were Mr. Louis L. Ryle of Melrose Highlands and Mr. Walter Colburn of Boston. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Leslie L. Blake.

Following the ceremony, the refreshments were served by Miss Annie Wright and Miss Rose Peabody. Rhoda Dean, Sally Dean, Miss Green, Rena Chapman, Elizabeth Shepard, Marion Dean, Eva Robinson and Ella Bernhardt. Mr. and Mrs. Roper were the recipients of many beautiful gifts, including a valuable article of art glass and silver.

The happy couple left on the 9:30 a. m. train for a short wedding tour. They will be at home after Jan. 10, 1909, at 494 Fletcher street.

GOLDREVE-LARUE.

Mr. Thomas Goldreave and Miss Larue Larue were married yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory, by Rev. Fr. Bruchard, O. M. I. Messrs. Danahy, Gonsoulin and Ferdinand Bon-Vieux served as witnesses.

GREGOIRE-CLOUTIER.

Mr. Hector Gregoire and Miss Marie



She Broke the Engagement—

or, at least, she made other people think so—but what she thought and how she felt and what she did makes a story that will hold your interest to the end. Read "The Pride of a Girl" in the January WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, and read the other stories too—those by Anna Katharine Green, Mary Heaton Vorse, Anne Warner, Florence Morse Kingsley—nine good stories for all the family. "My Reminiscences," by Edward Everett Hale, and a famous love scene by Howard Chandler Christy, are also in this

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WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION

At All News-stands

LOWELL Y.M.C.A.

Was Snowed Under at Brockton

BROCKTON, Dec. 26.—Lowell Y. M. C. A. didn't have a look-in with the Brockton association boys at basketball yesterday afternoon, losing 46 to 12. Lawson, Pitcher and Roach put up a brilliant game and the team pass work was a distinct feature.

Score—Brockton Y. M. C. A. 46, Lowell 12. Goals from floor—Reardon 2, Lawson 4, Pitcher 1, Chase 4, Roach 3, Stack, Sheehan, Cody, W. Grant 2, Craft. Goals from fouls—Chase 2, Cody 4. Referee—Knox. Time and score—Nash.

In the preliminary game the All-Collegians defeated the Brockton Independents 25 to 15.

LOWELL WON

SALEM, Dec. 26.—In the annual basketball game between Lowell and the Now and Thens, played here yesterday afternoon, the visitors won by 25 to 10.

Score, Now and Thens 25, Lowell 10. Goals from floor, Elsen 5, Dickinson 2, Briggs 5, Church 3, Lynch 4, Hill 4. Goals from fouls, Hurley 2. Referee, Sullivan. Score, Bushong, Yale. Time 20m halves.

NOW AND THENS WON

SALEM, Dec. 26.—The Now and Thens defeated Lowell at Salem last night in an interesting game by 25 to 28. The former had two new players, Briggs and Miller, both of whom did fine work. Dickinson scored the winning goal just as the song sounded. The visitors received a bad roasting from the referees who lost frequently from the ceiling. Goals, The Lowellists showed themselves the better team. The summary:

Now and Thens
Dickinson, 11
Briggs, 11
Miller, 10
Elsen, 10
Hurley, 10

Lowell
Reardon, Stack, 11
Lawson, 11
Pitcher, 11
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MANY SEEK HOMES

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 26.—Hundreds of homeseekers are settling in the Moose Jaw district, according to an announcement made from the Dominion land office there. Six hundred applications were made in one day this week.

The land office states that never before in its history has there been such a rush for land as there was this week.

HATHAWAY'S THEATRE

Y. M. C. A.

MEN'S MEETING

SPEAKER

Ora Samuel Gray

SOLOIST

Dr. Geo. R. Clark

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Bile causes no end of trouble. Sick headaches, bilious attacks, jaundice, constipation and many distressing ailments arise from an excess of bile, or from obstruction of the bile duct. Inactivity, sedentary occupations and indiscretion in feeding and drinking are bile blunders that need to be guarded against. When the liver is disordered the best bile correctives are

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PRES. FALLIERES

Was Attacked in Street by an Alleged Royalist

PARIS, Dec. 26.—A sensational attack on President Fallieres by Jean Mattis, an alleged royalist, threw the city into wild excitement. Although the president escaped without any other injury than a scratch on the ear in the scuffle with his assailant, many wild rumors concerning the affair were sent about, all of them magnifying the seriousness of the injury.

The attack was made near the Rue de l'Ecole while the president was taking an early morning stroll, accompanied by M. Ramondou, his secretary, and Colonel Lasso, one of the military attaches at the Elysee. Mattis, who apparently had been awaiting the appearance of the president, sprang upon him suddenly from behind, throwing his arms around his neck and trying to throw him to the ground.

The president grappled with his assailant and broke his cane in the struggle. Colonel Lasso and M. Ramondou dragged the man away and turned him over to two government detectives, who had been following the party in order to guard the president from any possible attack, just such as occurred.

The man, while being handcuffed, exclaimed: "I simply wanted to pull the president's beard. I am not armed."

This was found to be true when the man was searched. Mattis gave his age as twenty-four, occupation, a waiter. Medals and stamps bearing the imprint of the head of the Duke d'Orleans were found in his pockets, and also a card of membership in the Royalist order, the Patrie Francaise.

A search of Mattis' rooms revealed a large amount of royalist literature, showing that he was in close touch with several of the royalist leaders, but so far nothing has been discovered to show that the attack was the result of a prearranged plot. The man talked in a rambling way about "having done his duty in behalf of France."

FELL DOWN STAIRS

Thomas Erdis, aged 35 years, fell down a flight of stairs at 25 Tyler street yesterday morning and suffered a slight concussion of the brain. The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to St. John's hospital, where he received treatment.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Hears of Diphtheria in Middlesex Village

Frederick Bailey, George L. Fowler and Robert Nell of Middlesex Village appeared before the board of health Thursday afternoon to discuss the cause of diphtheria in Middlesex village. Twenty-four cases of diphtheria were reported in the village in 1908, two cases in 1907 and about 18 cases during the present year.

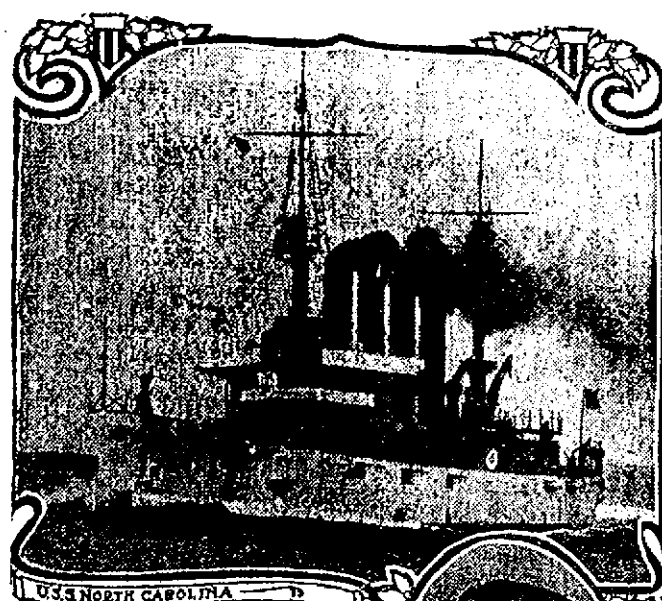
Mr. Bailey said he did not know just what caused diphtheria in Middlesex village but he believed that the Fuller-Warren system of sanitation at the Middlesex village school was responsible for it.

Mr. Fowler believed that a dry well was responsible for it. He had reference to one owned by Fred Dow in Middlesex street and he said it ought to be abolished. He said that Mr. Dow had advocated the construction of a sewer but that he had been given to understand that he would have to bear the responsibility in the event of the sewer freezing and this he did not care to do.

Agent Bates thought the spread of diphtheria in Middlesex village was due to the refusal of families to follow quarantine instructions and regulations and he called attention to several cases that had been a source of trouble in this connection.

"We took a culture of a milk can which showed a negative result," said Agent Bates, "but we weren't satisfied and took a second culture a short time later which showed a positive result. Then we entered the house, but we learned that the man was not following our orders about keeping in. You know there is such a thing as a mild case of diphtheria, and this sometimes is just as serious in spreading the disease as one of the most serious type."

The board finally decided that a sewer wouldn't be out of place in Middlesex street near the Dow residence and the board hoped the superintendent of streets and the city engineer would give the matter their attention.



W. I. BUCHANAN

U. S. Commissioner to Venezuela

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—W. I. Buchanan, who is on his way to Venezuela as a special commissioner in connection with the war troubles there, is well known in diplomatic circles. He was American minister to the Argentine Republic in President Cleveland's last administration and was minister to Panama at a critical time. His last mission was to Colombia to secure a settlement between that country,



Panama and America. The United States cruiser North Carolina takes the commissioner to South America.

HARRY GRAVES

Has Been Made Consulting Architect

Harry Prescott Graves has been appointed consulting architect for the construction of the Boston & Eastern Electric road, to which company the railroad commissioners have granted the right to construct a high speed electric railroad from Boston to Chelsea, Revere, Saugus, Lynn, Peabody, Salem, Danvers and Beverly.

It will be necessary to build a tunnel under the harbor connecting with East Boston, and the legislature will be asked for the right at the coming session. The right of way over the remainder of the proposed route has been granted.

Transfers Property
Rev. E. Victor Bigelow has transferred his residence to John J. Pickman and the latter has in turn transferred the property to Mrs. E. Victor Bigelow.

Collins and Hogan, real estate and insurance, Mansur block, passed final papers transferring from Ollie M. Jones to Leonora Lambert, an 8-room house numbered 15 Rockdale avenue. Mr. Lambert buys this property for a home.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Following are the transactions for the week ending December 25.

Lowell
James and Annie McKeever to Denis J. Murphy, land with buildings, Keene and Gorham streets.

Dennis J. Murphy to Mary McKeever, land with buildings, Keene and Gorham streets.

John McKeever to Mary McKeever, land with buildings, Keene and Gorham streets.

E. Victor Bigelow to John J. Pickman, land with buildings in Columbus avenue.

John J. Pickman to Carrie T. Bigelow, land with buildings in Columbus avenue.

Geo. C. and Wm. P. Dempsey, execs. to Avery M. Jones, land with buildings on Coburn and River streets.

Emery F. Blodgett to Harry P. Cowdry, land on Midland street.

Lurinda A. Russell to Martha Coates, land with buildings on Norcross street.

Rosanna Lamontague to Aurora Barry, land with buildings on Mt. Hope street.

Cyrus Hosmer to Hiram Lathrop, land on Walker street.

Leona Lebrun to Agnes Flynn, land with buildings on Exeter street.

John P. Quinn to Agnes Flynn, land on State street.

Henry Mayrand to Emma Constantineau, land with buildings on James street.

Bennett Benshishol to Frederick R. Brookings, land with buildings on Kirk street.

John W. Robinson to Harry E. and Rose Gill, land on Pine street.

Eliza Peltier to Francis X. Danvers, land with buildings on Avon street.

Oscar A. Shaw to Harry H. and Kate F. Hall, land on Vermont avenue.

Wm. and Isabella Jones to Hanora A. J. and Michael Crumney, the Thos. Stockler estate on Warrack street.

Ole M. Jones to Leonora Lambert, land with buildings on Rockdale avenue.

Tewksbury
Wm. H. Adsit, trustee to Giuseppe and Antonio Gioiosa, land at Oakland park.

Wm. A. Adsit, trustee to Joseph Seilage, land at Oakland park.

Billerica
Edgar P. Sillow to Minnie A. Smith, land at Riverside.

William A. Merriam to Annie P. Merriam, land with buildings on Churnstaff lane.

Carlisle
Hiram N. Hutchinson to Horace N. Wilson and Geo. E. ones, land near town farm.

Wilmington
Thos. A. Lader to Ethel M. Rance, land.

Chelmsford
Edmond R. and Charlotte E. Fowles to Burton H. Wiggin, land with buildings on High street.

FELL ON ICE
Ernest Turner, aged 15 years, residing at 2 Concord street, fell on the ice and cut his right eye Thursday night. He was taken to St. John's hospital where he received treatment.

WELSH FIGHTER

May be Matched to Meet Attell

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Jem Driscoll, the little Welshman who has fought several winning contests in the east in the last three months, is about the best foreign pugilist who has come to these shores in a long time. He is trying



hard for a match with Champion Attell and recently saw the moving pictures of the last Attell-Moran fight. After watching the pictures critically Driscoll said he was sure he could beat Attell.

THE PRESIDENT

HAD NO CALLERS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—President Roosevelt, accompanied by his son Archie, who came from school at Groton, Mass., for the holidays, went horseback riding in Rock Creek Park yesterday.

They left the White House about 11 o'clock in a landau and took their horses at the Sixteenth street entrance to the park. They returned about 1 o'clock in the afternoon, in time for luncheon.

Every member of the president's immediate family was present at the luncheon, and, in addition, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cowles, the president's brother-in-law and sister.

Yesterday evening the president and his family dined with Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cowles, who had arranged a fine Christmas tree. No official business was transacted by the president, who remained away from his office all day. There were no callers.

FEET BURNED

ROBBERS TORTURED A FARMER IN TOLEDO

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 26.—By burning his feet with lighted matches, two masked robbers at 4 o'clock yesterday morning compelled H. A. Schabow, of Curtis, O., near here, to open a safe in his farmhouse and turn over \$150.

After tying their victim to his bed with strips of a sheet and placing a gag in his mouth the bandits went to the barn, stole a horse and buggy and escaped. A posse of farmers is in pursuit.

Two buttercups in the front door the robbers placed an unknown substance upon a heated stove, which overcame the family of seven, and the bandits then entered undisturbed. Schabow is in a serious condition, but will recover.

When one of the robbers was torturing Schabow with matches, the other kept him covered with a revolver, threatening to kill him if he uttered a sound. Schabow is county agent for the Lucas county insurance company at Toledo.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Usually the First Sign of Weak Kidneys is Backache

Take care of backache. A great mix them: Compound Kargon, one ounce; Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime.

This preparation is said to restore the natural function of the kidneys, so they will sift and strain the poisonous waste matter, uric acid, etc., from the blood, purifying it and relieving rheumatism. Backache will be relieved, the urine will be neutralized and cleared and no longer a cause of irritation, thereby overcoming such symptoms as weak bladder, painful, frequent and other urinary difficulties. This is worth trying and may prove prescription pharmacy and anyone can just what many people here need.

MURDER IN BOSTON

White Man Shot to Death by a Colored Woman

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Murder was last night added to the number of suicides, fatal accidents and sudden deaths from natural causes, which have made the Christmas day of 1908 an unusual one. During the early evening, Nanette Estes, a colored woman, aged 36 years, followed her friend, George S. Rawson, white, aged 35 years, said to be a Boston and Albany tower switchman, who she claimed she suspected was untrue to her, and finding him leaving a house in Thornton place, Roxbury, shot him down with a 38-calibre revolver pouring three shots into the man's body as he lay on the ground. Rawson died on the way to the hospital.

Both Miss Estes and Mr. Rawson lived at 60 Dover street, where they had made their home for some time. Rawson is said to be married but did not live with his wife. Early yesterday Mr. Rawson told Miss Estes, she claims that he was going to pass the day with relatives. Instead he went to the home of an old time friend, Thornton place, and was on his way home when Miss Estes met him and fired upon him.

Miss Estes was immediately placed under arrest and it is stated, confessed to the shooting and gave her reasons for doing so, which were to the effect that Rawson had proved untrue to her.

COVINO WILL DIE A TOTAL WRECK

Was Shot During Xmas Celebration

Schooner Messer on Handkerchief Shoal

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Pasquale Garzio terminated a double celebration held at No. 38 Charier street last night by shooting John Covino in the abdomen.

Covino was taken to the Relief hospital and will die. Garzio was arrested in an attic at No. 7 Luther street by Sergeant Sullivan and Patrolman Alger of Station No. 1.

Garzio was in a very intoxicated condition when brought to the station and could not tell the police his name. The celebration was being held in honor of the approaching marriage of Rosie Covino, daughter of the man shot, to Domingo Cappucci.

FELL TWO FEET

CHICAGO MAN'S NECK WAS BROKEN.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—A fall of little more than two feet from one of the forward wheels of an express wagon and down the street into the sea, Capt. Pierce ordered all hands to get their personal effects into the boat and in a short time they abandoned her and pulled away down the channel towards the lights. It was so rough there that they decided to keep on until they should reach the Shoefall Lightship in smoother water, which craft they succeeded in boarding.

Before Capt. Pierce realized that he was in imminent danger the schooner began to pound and as she was deeply laden with 1000 tons of coal it did not knock everything askew and cause the messer to spring a bad leak.

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CHATHAM, Dec. 26.—The three-masted schooner Harry Messer of Boston lies a total wreck on the Handkerchief shoal after a most unusual experience as a phantom ship Thursday night. Her crew of eight men rowed to the Shoefall Lightship. The Messer left an anchorage off Dennis, the home of her master, Capt. Pierce Thursday afternoon with a fresh southerly breeze. When coming across the light ship shoal about 7 p. m. the wind veered to southwest and moderated when under the influence of a very heavy northeaster well caused by Wednesday's gale and a strong east tide, the vessel was carried somewhat out of the shoal channel.

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A FIRE HEROINE

Girl Awakened Members of Family

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Grace Rowan, a girl of 14, who lives with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. William Rowan, and four brothers and sisters, in a three-family house at No. 73 Cooper street, Brooklyn, was a heroine in a fire which started in the basement of her home at 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

The Rowan family occupy the basement and first floor. There were preparations for Christmas Thursday night, and a tree was set up in the basement. Grace was awakened by the smell of smoke. She went down to the basement and saw a fire in a closet. She hurried upstairs and called her father. By this time the smoke was all through the house and the flames were eating at the basement stairs.

With a blanket wrapped about her the girl ran to the second floor and aroused the family of Peter Ferguson, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson and one daughter, Ida. She then went to the third floor and called Mr. and Mrs. Blodgett and their three children, and the house was soon emptied.

The cry of fire aroused the tenants in a five-story flat house at No. 71, and they came tumbling to the street. The families in the house at No. 73 also sought safety from their smoke-filled homes.

The men formed a bucket brigade, but the fire was getting the upper hand of them when the engines came. The loss was about \$200.

CLOVERDALE CLUB

HELD DANCING PARTY IN PRES. COTT HALL

The annual dancing party of the Cloverdale club was held in Prescott hall Christmas eve. The members and their friends turned out in large numbers and had a most enjoyable evening.

Music for dancing was furnished by the Union singing orchestra of Marlboro.

The following officers had charge of the affair: General manager, Joseph Perkins; assistant general manager, Daniel Callahan; floor director, Edward Dean; assistant floor director, Frank Winger; Aids, Frank Hickson, Joseph Cunningham, Fred Angiers, Joseph Wholey, John Garvey, Daniel Wooley, Michael Flemings, John Riley, Frank Carroll, George Marcotte, Frank Callahan.

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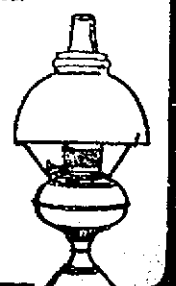
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STANDARD OIL COMPANY (Incorporated)



ONE MAN KILLED

Rival Suitors Engaged in a Duel to the Death

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 25.—A duel to the death with knives in a dark room Christmas eve between two suitors for the hand of 14-year-old Julia Fromich, resulted in the death of Powell Fromich and the serious injury of Michael Milanovitch, who is under arrest on the charge of murder. Fromich's brother was fatally stabbed when he attempted to separate the fighting lovers. The girl for whom the men fought, and neither of whom, it is said, she loves, was struck by Milanovitch and badly hurt.

Both Fromich and Milanovitch had pressed their suits Thursday and proposed marriage to the girl. She refused each in turn. Each thought the other the cause of his rejection. Both men boarded in the Pice home. Arriving home late Thursday night after an unhappy day, Milanovitch is said to have gone to Fromich's room and accused the latter of stealing his sweetheart.

"I am going to kill you for it," Milanovitch is alleged to have exclaimed. Fromich leaped from his bed and asked Milanovitch if he wanted to fight. A duel was arranged and the two went to the kitchen, spread a cloak upon the floor, darkened the room and drew their knives and, holding each other by the left hand, began the deadly struggle.

Only muffled curses and the heated breaths of the bleeding antagonists broke the silence. Desperately they lunged and swayed as wound after wound was inflicted. After a few minutes the blows became fever and weaker until finally, with a knife thrust through him, penetrating his temple, his face and body gasped to strips. Fromich fell to the floor with a groan. He died soon afterwards.

At this moment Fromich's brother and the girl arrived. Milanovitch, covered with wounds, fled after attacking Fromich and the girl, but was later arrested by the police.

PLAGUE CRUSADE

Said to Have Made Suicide Easy

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Investigation of the manner in which Contracting Electrician Harry N. Boas met death has developed the startling fact that nearly 30 persons a month have committed suicide as a direct result of the crusade against bubonic plague in this city. Although the police department insisted upon its usual suicide theory, Theodore Kytha, the handwriting expert made famous by the Theodore Durrant murder trial, proved that Boas was poisoned by strychnine powders mailed him by his partner.

While searching for the drug store that sold the poison, Detective Sergeant Gallagher and his men discovered conditions that sent them scurrying to the police commissioner in consternation. Claiming it was necessary in the campaign against the little rodents, the druggists have for nearly a year been selling any poison in the big category of deadly death without prescriptions, and in most cases without even the customary caution label. This, too, without regard to the large appropriation made by the last legislature to prosecute diatribe druggists.

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ARE NOW "MR. AND MRS. NEWLYWED"



NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The comic series, "The Newlyweds and Their Baby," originated by George McManus of the New York World and enjoyed by millions of fun loving Americans, has been productive of a pretty little romance in real life, for Miss Florence Bergere, the winsome stage beauty who was the original of Mrs. Newlywed, has become the bride of the artist. They were married in New York City on December 23 and are now on their honeymoon trip. Mr. McManus and his bride are both from St. Louis. They met four years ago when Miss Bergere was a member of the "Paul

Handle Pet" company, a stage production of one of Mr. McManus' comic series. Her striking beauty attracted the artist, and he got her to pose for him. Mrs. Newlywed was the result. "The Newlyweds" and their amazing baby, Napoleon, are familiar figures to everybody who enjoys real fun.

IN THE CHURCHES

Preachers and Their Sermon Subjects

The following sermon subjects are contained in the church notices for tomorrow:

Baptist
Chelmsford street F. B.: 10:30 a. m., farwell sermon by the pastor, Rev. A. E. Kenyon. 6:30 p. m., holy communion.

St. Patrick's Alumni
Arrangements for the first banquet and reunion of the Alumni of St. Patrick's Boys' academy are now practically complete. The affair will be held next Wednesday night in the school hall in Suffolk street.

The after dinner exercises will be opened by President Joseph A. O'Brien, 1890 who will introduce James E. O'Donnell, '92, as toastmaster. Then will follow addresses by different graduates and these will be varied by a pleasing musical program.

First Church of Christ Scientist: 10:45 a. m., "Christian Science" testimonial meeting Wednesday at 7:45 p. m.

Congregational
First: Morning, "Seeing Salvation." 7 p. m., Mr. James P. Ramsay, prohibition officer, will speak on "Some Experiences With Men in Jail."
Highland: 10:30 a. m., "Our Biography." 5 p. m., "Three Essentials of Godliness."
High Street: "Our Abolition Box" evening. Christmas concert.

Episcopal
St. Anne's: 7:45 a. m., holy communion; 10:30 a. m., full service and sermon; 7 p. m., carol service by the Sunday school, with address by the rector; no Sunday school session.
House of Prayer: Morning, choral eucharist and sermon; evening, evening prayer and sermon.

Methodist
Gotham Street P. M.: Morning and evening, the pastor will preach.
St. Paul's M. E.: 10:30 a. m., "No Perfect, But Getting Better." 6:30 p. m., Sunday school concert.

Presbyterian
First: 10:30 a. m., "The Star of Bethlehem." 7 p. m., "Over the Bar."
Westminster: Morning and evening.

BOY DROWNED

HE FELL THROUGH HOLE IN ICE.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 25.—While returning from a hunting expedition in Westport yesterday, Herbert Williamson, aged 17 years, and two boy companions fell through the ice on South Watuppa pond. Williamson was drowned but his two friends escaped.

JOHN RICKFORD

WON UNDER-GRADUATE PRIZE AT PRINCETON.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 25.—The most coveted undergraduate prize at Princeton, and one of the largest competitive prizes offered in any American university, is the Stinnette Scholarship which has just been awarded to John D. Rickford of Columbus, Ohio, a member of the sophomore class.

This prize is available once every three years and is the income of a special bequest yielding \$1500. This sum is payable to the successful competitor in three yearly installments of \$500.

In other words, the prize is large enough to pay its winner's expenses through the rest of his college course. It is awarded to that member of the sophomore class who passes the best examination in Virgil, Xenophon, and Greek and Latin Grammar. It will become available next in the fall of 1911.

UNIVERSALIST

CANTATA PRESENTED BY SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS EVE.

A cantata, entitled "The Magic Snowball," was given in the vestry of the Grace Universalist church Christmas eve. It was under the direction of Miss Eva Rollins and Miss Hazel Brannard. Those who took part in the cantata were members of the intermediate class of the Sunday schools.

During the progress of the production there was a recitation by Miss Ruth Crawford, and a song by Miss Florence Weinbeck. The program was given by Miss Marie Richardson. At the conclusion of the entertainment there was the distribution of presents to Santa Claus, each child receiving a gift. Mr. Ray Fuller, as Santa, was assisted in giving out the presents by some of the male members of the Sunday school.

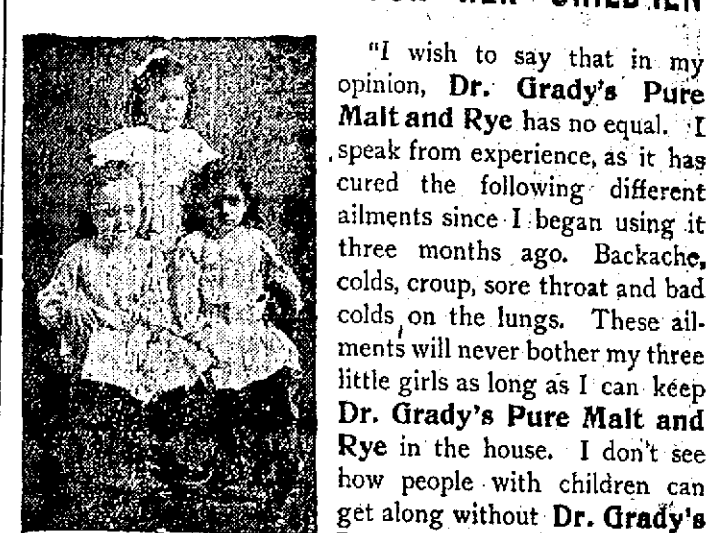
LECTURE ON GREECE
An interesting lecture on "Greece and Her Children" was given in Mathew hall in Union street, last night by Rev. Pansy G. Glinieres for the benefit of the Greek reading room. The speaker visited his native land about a year ago and traveled extensively at that time.

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TEXTILE NOTES

Interesting Items From Mill Centres

BURLINGTON, N. J., Dec. 25.—Satisfied after a thorough study of conditions that American labor is superior to that of the "Yankee of the East," operators of the Burlington silk mills, have confirmed the reports that the concern would close several large mills in Japan and move its entire plant to this city.

Contracts for fine silk goods have kept the local plant working day and night five months, and the finer character of the American goods has brought from Vice President J. H. Rosenthal, who represents the firm in the Orient, the recommendation that the entire manufacturing business be transferred to this country, and the raw material transported to America.

The firm will begin immediately the erection of its new plant here in which 1000 looms will be installed and employment given to a corresponding number of employees. The plant will add nearly \$50,000 weekly to local payroll.

which a stock dividend of 50 per cent. was declared on the old stock of \$500,000.

The directors of the American Co. declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on the capital of \$400,000, an outlay of \$12,000 to be paid Jan. 1. In 1907, this corporation paid 11 per cent. equal to \$88,000.

The Stafford mills have declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on the capital of \$1,000,000, a payment of \$15,000. Last year, this corporation paid 3 1/2 per cent. equal to \$35,000.

The directors of the Barnard Manufacturing Co. declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on the capital of \$450,000, an expenditure of \$7,425. For 1907, this corporation paid out in dividends \$34,650, 7 per cent.

The directors of the Ancona mills declare a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on the preferred stock of \$110,000, a payment of \$1,650.

These dividends amount to \$53,325 on a total capitalization of \$5,555,000.

BLEACHERY SURPLUS

FALL RIVER, Dec. 25.—The following is the annual statement of the Fall River Bleachery:

Assets—Real estate, \$736,805; machinery, \$393,898; cash and notes receivable, \$97,557; manufactures and merchandise, \$43,995; patent rights, \$275; total, \$1,272,531.

Liabilities—Capital stock, \$600,000; accounts payable, \$59,512; fund debt, \$34,000; floating debt, \$104,000; surplus, \$55,019; total, \$1,272,531.

MAJOR TAYLOR

WAS CHARGED WITH ROUGH RIDING

BOSTON, Dec. 25.—In the Christmas night bicycle races at the Park Square Coliseum last night, Jackie Clarke of Australia, was awarded a special match sprint race against Major Taylor, colored, of Worcester, after Taylor had won 2 of the 3 heats. In the third heat, Clarke, alleged Taylor was guilty of rough riding and the referee agreed and awarded the sprint to Clarke, but not until Taylor was given a chance to ride the heat over again which he refused.

MUSICAL ETUDE CLUB

The Musicales Etude club whose teacher is Miss Ella M. Martel, has elected the following officers: Musical director, Miss Martel; president, Mrs. A. P. Sarre; secretary, Mrs. Eva Binette.

EMBROIDERY PLANT SOLD

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 25.—The Eugene Keller Embroidery works, at No. 241 Demott street, North Bergen, by order of the court of chancery, have been sold at public auction by the receiver, George R. Beach, to Edgar Friedmann and a syndicate of New York for \$18,000. It is recognized as one of the best equipped factories in the state.

CHASE MILL DECLARES 2 PER CENT

FALL RIVER, Dec. 25.—The directors of the Chase mill have declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent. on the capital of \$1,200,000. During 1907, this corporation paid \$69,000, in addition to a stock dividend of \$31,500 per cent.

FALL RIVER DIVIDENDS

FALL RIVER, Dec. 25.—The directors of the Merchants Manufacturing Co. declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. on its capital of \$1,200,000. \$15,000 will be paid on Jan. 1. During 1907, this corporation paid \$3,000 in cash dividends, in addition to



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JACK JOHNSON WON

Big Negro is Heavy-weight Cham- pion of World

He Gave Tommy Burns an Unmerciful Beating—The Canadian was Knocked Down in the First Round—He was Beaten to a Standstill in Fourteenth Round and the Police Stopped the Fight

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 26.—Jack Johnson, the big negro from Galveston, Texas, is the world's champion heavy-weight pugilist.

He won the title today in the big arena at Ryschutter's Bay from Tommy Burns, the French-Canadian, who had held it since James J. Jeffries relinquished it, and after a chase of Burns, that had led half way around the world.

The end came in the 14th round when the police, seeing Burns tottering and unable to defend himself from the savage blows of his opponent, mercifully stopped the fight. Previously it had been arranged that the police interfered a decision should be rendered on points, and Referee McIntosh without hesitation, declared the big black man the winner, for all through the fight he had shown himself Burns' master in every style of fighting.

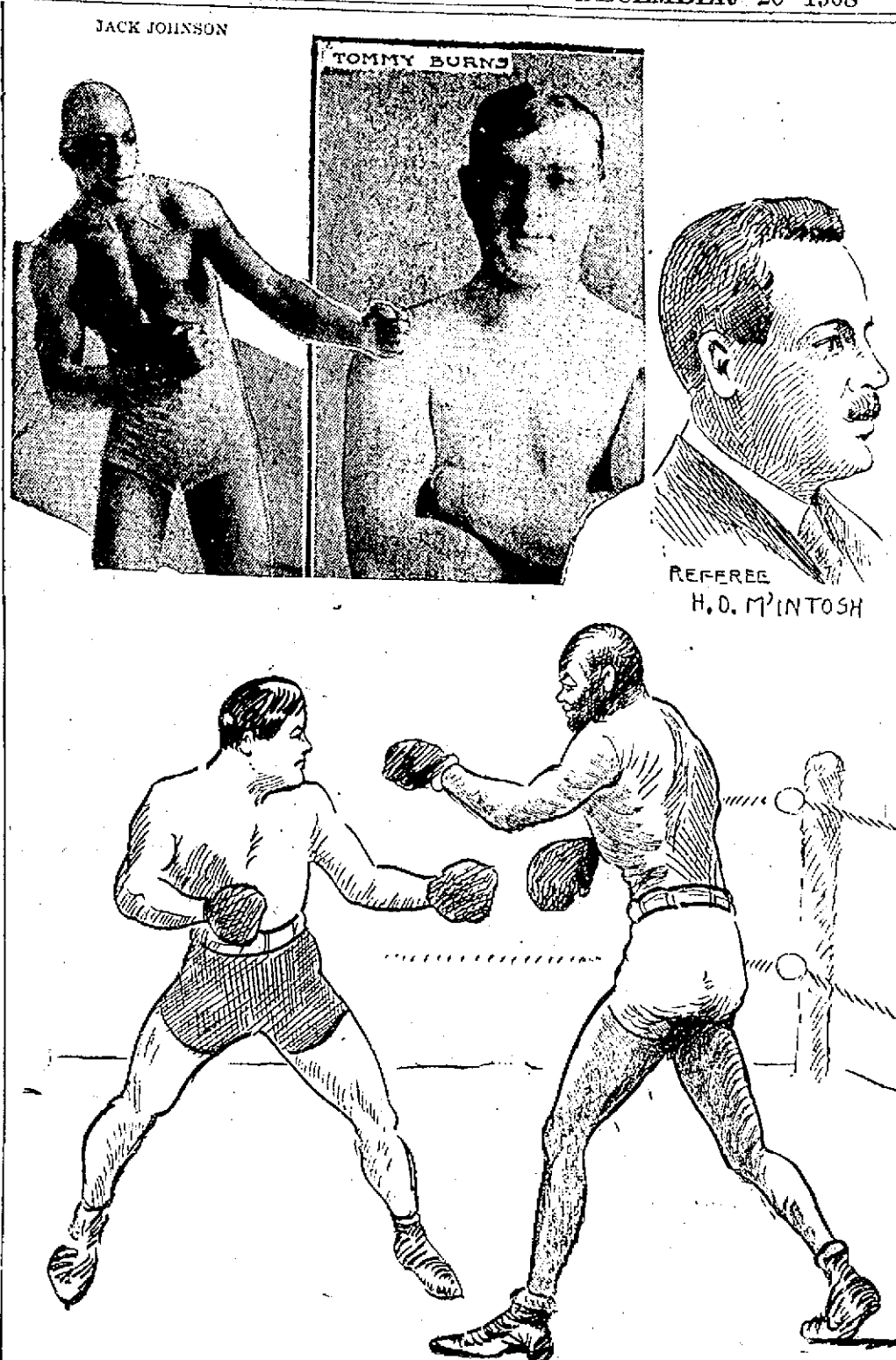
Fighters Enter Ring

At 10.42 o'clock Johnson entered the arena accompanied by his seconds, Sam Fitzpatrick, Mullins, Unholz,

Lang and Bryant. Wild cheers greeted him, and the big black man turned and bowed to all four sides of the ring. Just as Johnson took his seat Burns appeared. He was smiling and the plaudits of the spectators were even more enthusiastic than those accorded Johnson. Burns took up his position in the western corner of the ring, surrounded by his seconds, Keating, O'Keefe, O'Donnell, Burke and Russell. When the cheering had died down somewhat, Johnson crossed over and shook Burns by the hand. The Canadian glanced at the big mauler of the Texan and noticed that both were covered with bandages. Fearful that perhaps they might not be of the soft, surgical kind, he scrutinized them closely but, finding them to his satisfaction, he made no objection.

The announcement was made that if during the contest the police should interfere and stop it, the referee would immediately give a decision based on points scored.

When Burns stripped, it was noticed that he wore elastic bandages



JACK JOHNSON, NOW CHAMPION OF THE WORLD, AND TOMMY BURNS, THE DEFEATED CHAMPION, AS THEY APPEARED IN FIGHTING ATTITUDE. ALSO REFEREE MCINTOSH.

about his elbows. Johnson shouted across the ring half angrily "You must take those off." Then the men met in the center of the ring and for a few minutes argued the question. Then they retired again to their corners, but Burns did not remove the bandages.

From Johnson's seconds came the announcement that their man refused to fight unless Burns took off the wraps around his elbows and it looked as though there was a possibility of the fight not taking place, for Burns was stubborn and Johnson insisted on his point. The referee, however, here took a hand in the controversy and said that the wearing of bandages was not against the rules. Johnson still demurred, nevertheless, and Burns, with a show of impatience had his tremendous round of applause.

Posed for Picture.

At 11.15 o'clock Johnson and Burns posed for a moving picture machine, and, having received final instructions from Referee McIntosh, retired to their corners.

Fight By Rounds.

Then the battle began.

First round—After a few moments of preliminary sparring Johnson reached Burns with a sharp uppercut, and the Canadian went to the floor, remaining there for the count of eight. He signalled to his seconds that he was all right, however, and when he arose sailed in for Johnson's body. Johnson swung a hard right to the head and Burns staggered backward nearly across the ring from the impact of the blow. Then Burns, rushing in, planted a right of great force on Johnson's shin and by an excellent display of boxing warded off a return. Johnson, nevertheless, managed to put through a stinging left to the head at the sound of the gong.

Second round—When the gong changed Johnson yelled across to the approaching Burns, "Come right on," and he swung his right and landed hard on Burns' chin. The champion's ankle gave way under him and he went down. It was up immediately, however, and Johnson got to close quarters with him and placed his right and left to face and body. Burns' left eye here commenced to swell. Johnson thus far had the better of the battle. The big black man was coming all the time and he swung a terrific left to Burns' stomach. Burns was doing little. He was bleeding from the mouth and apparently was tired. They clinched as the bell rang.

Third round—Burns swung his right to Johnson's head and then did some wonderful boxing at in-fighting, chopping his right to the ribs frequently. Johnson, during the round, landed some terrific blows to the kidneys.

Fourth round—When the men met in the center of the ring Johnson shot a heavy right into Burns' ribs. The men talked away to one another, each seemingly intent upon getting the other excited and landing the money winning punch. During the feinting they sparred freely, but few blows were struck. Then Johnson, closing in, threw a terrific right and left to the head of the Canadian. The bell found the men in a hard clinch.

Fifth round—Apparently refreshed from his minute's rest, Burns started the round briskly, landing his right on Johnson's head and punching the body with both hands. Johnson managed to slip over a few rights to the head during the round.

Sixth round—Johnson rushed and Burns clinched. Breaking loose, however, with one hand Johnson swung his right a dozen times into the white man's ribs. Burns jolled Johnson's body frequently and swung his right hand over the ribs and put a stiff left to the stomach several

times. Johnson, however, treated these blows with a joke, laughing at which there was no mercy. Burns got a left to Johnson's jaw and Johnson dazed Burns with a right under the eye. Burns here seemed to be losing strength. Johnson was landing repeatedly on Burns' eye, meanwhile addressing the people about the ringside and though Tommy was working dexterously at in-fighting he placed several terrific blows on Burns' ribs, dropping him to the floor for a few seconds.

Eighth round—Burns' eyes were puffed up and he was bleeding from the mouth when he emerged from his corner. The white man's blows apparently had little effect on the Texan, who went severely about belaboring the head of the champion.

Ninth round—"Come on Tommy," swung his right," yelled Johnson as the gong rang. Burns responded by calling the negro a "yellow dog." There was not very much in-fighting—probably more talking—during this round.

Tenth round—Both men seemed tired. Johnson still used his fists effectively on Burns' head and stomach, and Burns was doing all he could in reply. His blows, however, lacked steam.

Eleventh round—The perspiration pouring off the body of Johnson made it look not unlike highly polished wax. Burns tried to cross his right over, but Johnson cleverly avoided him, meanwhile laughing at the champion. Burns is outclassed and Johnson apparently is invulnerable. When the bell rang Burns hopped to his corner.

Twelfth round—Again Johnson sailed in and Burns took a tremendous amount of punishment gamely. His jaw is badly swollen.

Thirteenth round—Johnson continued to play for the injured eye and the bleeding mouth of Burns which was swollen under its normal size. After a blow the colored man raised upon him and the gong saved the white man from defeat, for he was reeling and groggy when the bell rang.

During the intermission between the thirteenth and fourteenth rounds, the police officials consulted together and the probability was that they would stop the fight in the next round. Referee McIntosh went to Burns' corner and had a talk with the champion, who declared that he was strong. McIntosh then asked the police not to interfere.

Fourteenth round—Johnson went right after Burns when time was called. The white man warily backed away but Johnson, following him up, dropped Burns with a heavy right to the head. "One, two, three," slowly counted the referee, and Burns remained down until eight seconds had been tolled off. When he arose Johnson flew a blow like a tiger and, using both hands simultaneously, soon had the champion quivering. The police then jumped into the ring and stopped the fight.

The referee immediately declared Johnson the winner. He added that he considered it the best fight he even had witnessed in Australia and that both men had fought most fairly.

Burns Did His Best.

Burns, in an interview after he had gone to his dressing room, said: "I did the best I could and fought hard. Johnson was too big and his reach too great."

Johnson appeared fresh after the

fight, while Burns' eyes were badly puffed and his mouth swollen twice its normal size. The Canadian fought a game, battle and showed indomitable pluck, but he was no match for the Texas black.

Twice only in the annals of pugilism has a colored man been permitted to fight for the title, emblematic of world's champion heavy-weight pugilist. Peter Jackson tried it with John L. Sullivan, but Sullivan would not consent to a go. After James J. Jeffries took the scalp of Bob Fitzsimmons, he took Hank Griffin at Los Angeles, but the colored man was easy for him and never had a chance to win the honor.

Then Tommy Burns, or Noah Brusso, as his real name is, took up the mantle of Jeffries. Since then and until yesterday Johnson had endeavored to get him into the ring, declaring that he was Burns' master. The fight was for a purse of \$35,000, of which Burns received \$30,000 and Johnson \$5,000. The ring was a 24-foot one, and was pitched in the center of a big arena built especially for the purpose. The bout was to have been for twenty rounds.

The crowd was estimated at between 15,000 and 20,000.

TOMMY SULLIVAN WON

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—Tommy Sullivan of Lawrence expected to hand a knockout punch to Harry Mansfield of England at the National A. C. ballroom yesterday afternoon. The latter, however, took Tommy's blows without flinching and he was on his feet and in good shape at the final bell. Sullivan, who won the bout, scored a knockdown in the first round, but after that his swings had no effect on the lad from England.

Faddy Sullivan of Brooklyn was the sensation of the program, scoring a decisive victory over Mickey Gannon of Pittsburgh. The latter has a long string of knockouts to his credit and it was thought by the crowd of 1,200 spectators that he would add the Brooklynite to his list. Sullivan promptly showed the crowd that he was onto Mickey's style and throughout the fourth round Sullivan caused the crowd to let out a whoop by sending Gannon to the floor for the count with a right swing on the jaw. Mickey got up they mixed it up in a savage style.

After that Sullivan grew more confident and in the last two rounds he landed out two blows for every one he received, and at the finish he had the better of the bout by a good margin.

YOUNG DONOHUE WON

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25.—Young Corbett, second for Tommy Nowatt of Chicago, threw up the sponge in the third round of Nowatt's bout with Young Donohue of Boston at the Royal Athletic club here last night. Nowatt's left eye was closed in the first round and Donohue had easy sailing the rest of the way. Nowatt was knocked down three times in the last round.

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QUIET IN DRACUT

Selectmen Visited the Licensed Places

The board selectmen were on the quiet yesterday and as a result everything was quiet as regards lawlessness in the good old town. The selectmen made a tour of inspection of the licensed premises and the holders of licenses were given to understand that the law regarding their privileges would be strictly enforced hereafter. Evidently the activity on the part of the officials of the town was brought about by the cooking maid raid last Sunday by the state police when the Dracut police and selectmen were "bustup at the switch."

"Fox" Santa

A cantata entitled "Fox Santa" and a Christmas tree were held last night at the Dracut Centre church.

The characters of the cantata were as follows: Santa Claus, Ben Harding; Jack Frost, Lionel Udell; Miss Mary; Miss Maud Black; letter carrier, Frank Huntley; Santa Queen, Miss Marion Udell; Bobby, Percy Barnes; Evelyn, Miss Ethel Gilmore; Polly, Miss Maud Jones; Santa fairies, Misses Mary Lake, Eleanor and Frances Bentley, Helen Bryant, Gertrude and Hazel Cluff, Helen Davis, Gladys Lurvey, Evelyn Dutton; Orphans, Misses Annie Roth, Matilda and Annie Hazen, Mildred Smith, Rach Davis, Dorothy Lake, Albert Huntley, Orpha Coburn; Santa's military band, Horton Manney, Edward and Norman Yates, Rodney Coburn, Augustus Dutton, Francis Jendreau; tots, Miss Vilma Harkin, Miss Irene Bentley, Kenneth Curran and Reuben Udell.

At the conclusion of the entertainment the Christmas tree was stripped of its gifts and all present received remembrances.

Field Exercises

Exercises appropriate of the day were held yesterday at the Hillside church, in Dracut. The following entertainment program was carried out: Processional, by school; hymn, "The Hallelujahs"; song, by congregation; prayer, by the pastor, Rev. T. A. Carlson; recitation, "The Meaning of Christmas," Misses Maud Tucker, Helen Thesslary, Frances Gunther; recitation, "A Bit of Holly," Miss Alice Stevens; song, "Little Star," Miss Alice Bolton; recitation, "Christmas 'All the Year,'" Miss Marion Garland; song, "Beautiful Evergreen Trees," Misses Mabel Collier, Alice Stevens, Marion Bolton, Raymond Stevens, Frederick Stevens; recitation, "Happy Christmas," Miss Ethel Welsh; recitation, "Last Year's Christmas Gifts," Misses Bertha Walters, Louise Garner, Ethel Eklund, Clarence Nichols, Aubrey Griffin, Monroe Warwick; song, "Christmas Lullaby," Misses Marion Bolton, Maud Collier, Agnes Pollard, Hazel Ashton; dialog, "A Christmas Pilgrimage," by eight boys; recitation, "Hello Santa," Miss Nora Warwick.

END OF WORLD

Predicted by Man at Nyack, N. Y.

NYACK, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Lee J. Spangler, the prophet who predicts that this old world of ours is coming to an end on Sunday next, was preparing Christmas day for his journey to the top of the South mountains, where he invites all the saints to gather with him for the obsequies of the earth and all who dwell therein.

This man's predictions have worked on some nervous women in the community that they are unable to sleep. A few are on the verge of collapse.

If Spangler fails to make good on Sunday, some men here say he will wear a coat of tar and feathers instead of a white robe, such as he is urging his followers to prepare for the occasion.

New York City, according to Spangler, will be the first place to go up in smoke, and that very soon.

"Before Dec. 27," says his prophecy, "New York will be swallowed up. People will flee to the mountains, and it will be impossible to find them. The city will go dry to get ready for the flames of fire."

The idea of New York going dry affords some consolation for many New York people often say that conditions in New York would not be so bad after all.

Spangler's prophecy goes on to say: "There will be many signs of the world's end in the sun. The moon and the stars will also give numerous signs of the approaching end. During the last days the sun will turn black and the land will be filled with darkness. Know ye, then, that the end is drawing nigh."

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APPLE SISTERS

GAVE A FINE PROGRAM LAST NIGHT.

The National Entertainers held a pleasing entertainment in Odd Fellows Hall last night. The star performers of the evening were the Apple sisters, Helena and Reba. John Y. Myers made an excellent Helena while Mr. W. J. Slinas portrayed the part of Reba was up to his usual high standard.

The Misses Apple opened with "Little Black Men" and later sang "I Had a Man."

Chris. Royalt, a clever magician, performed several stunts in a dexterous manner which brought forth much applause. Len Galloway, a ventriloquist of no mean ability, with the assistance of half a dozen figures, carried out his part of the program in an excellent manner.

Percy Clay, a young violinist, appeared in two numbers, both of which pleased. His first was Wieniawski's "Legerade" the other was the intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana."

John T. Carroll, a black-face comedian and singer, sang a couple of new things, his best being the local travesty on "Somebody Lied." Edward T. Quinlan, reader, gave with good effect, two numbers. The first was "The Owl." His encore was "Brown's Mistake." George Rogers gave the song "Business is Business." In good style and the National Comedy Club opened the show. The accompanist was Miss Minnie Steeves.

Mr. D. A. McCarthy of Puerto Rico, is spending the holidays with relatives at 213 Cross street.

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This is by far the largest net average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

Those libel suits threatened by President Roosevelt against the New York World and the Indianapolis News are not likely to materialize. Possibly the president learned something about the law of libel after consulting the attorney general.

THE PRESIDENT'S BITTERNESS.

If President Roosevelt will recall the many instances in which he used the muck rake with the very worst results that he could produce he should not feel such enmity towards a couple of newspapers that published matter concerning the Panama canal that is fully as reliable as many of his own statements. The president seems to be falling into a condition of mental bitterness that causes him to pour out his rancor without the restraint that is expected from a man in his high station.

PROGRESS IN GOVERNMENT REFORM.

The movement for governmental reform is making great progress throughout the country. This is seen not only in the prosecution of wrongdoers but in the improvement in the methods of governing cities and states. It is a well known fact that there has been more laxity and more dishonesty in the government of our American cities than appears in the government of cities in any other country in the world. We are gradually getting over this discreditable state of affairs, and the time seems to be at hand when our American cities will be governed in a decent, respectable manner by men of strict integrity, men of experience and ability whose leadership in all matters of public interest can be implicitly relied upon by those who elect them. We must secure an improvement in the system as well as in the men, for in the majority of cases where misgovernment appears the system and not the men is responsible.

THE PARK BOARD.

The report of the park commission shows that that board is accomplishing a great deal with a small expenditure of money. Although it is going slow it is steadily moving in the right direction towards the development of a great park system for Lowell. Not only is it beautifying our present parks but it is picking up the vacant spaces in congested districts throughout the city and presenting their availability to the public for park purposes. The park board has a list of such places that can be easily turned into public breathing places at a slight expense. A few years of such work will show splendid results, and now that the city will soon establish at least two more public playgrounds we may expect to find the board selecting these and preparing them for public use within a short time.

The board has started upon a crusade that should result in the removal of many of the unsightly bill boards throughout the city. These boards disfigure many of our public streets, they hold out to the public gaze advertisements of special brands of whiskey, beer and patent medicines. Such advertisements flaunted to the eyes of the public are not creditable to our city. The appearance of our streets can be greatly improved by their removal. The bill board evil has been attacked in many places throughout the country and especially where there is any movement for the beautification of the city.

Another matter that engages the earnest attention of the board is the moth question. The park board performs the work of cutting down the moth nests very faithfully, but unfortunately every spring and summer brings a new crop of the brown tails to be followed by a new lot of nests. This will continue until the country towns are compelled to perform the work of exterminating the nests same as is done in the city or until they adopt the German method of capturing the moths by a great search light which gathers them into a receptacle from which they cannot escape. Something of the kind must be done in order that the cities may be protected against the moth pest propagated in the country towns.

NOTABLE CONFLICTS IN CONGRESS.

Seldom have there been so many sectional fights on in congress as there are at the present time. The so-called insurgents of the republican party are up in arms against the despotism of Speaker Cannon, and they are backed by the democrats of the house with the prospect of scoring a signal victory. Their proposition is to have the rules changed so that the appointment of committees will be made by a committee for that purpose instead of by the speaker. This would relieve most of the members of the dictatorial authority exercised over them by Speaker Cannon. It would prevent him from "queering" them on the appointment of committees. This is but one of the propositions advanced for restricting his power so as to prevent him curtailing the freedom of debate and stifling popular opinion.

Another conflict that is on in congress has for its object the overthrow of the Hale-Aldrich combination in the senate. It is led by such men as LaFollette, Beveridge and Cummins, who object to the dominant leadership of the New England senators. Senator Lodge, although from Massachusetts, has rarely been identified with New England interests to such an extent as to excite the opposition of any senator from any other part of the country.

Both houses are practically a unit in their opposition to the president's outrageous attack upon the members of both branches. He has been sternly called upon to produce some reason for his assertion that members of congress modified the secret service department in order to prevent being themselves investigated.

The usual courteous formalities and phraseology in which such requests are couched were purposely omitted and the demand was made in curt terms that must necessarily be well understood by the president. There is considerable anxiety as to what the president's answer will be and whether he will attempt to support his charge with any form of argument or any presentation of facts.

PEOPLE OF NOTE

In reporting that the olive crop this year in Italy and Sicily is a total failure Arthur S. Cheney of Messina says: "Never in the memory of the proverbial 'coldest inhabitant' has there been such an absolute lack of production of this necessary fruit as now prevails in this district. When it is remembered how essential in the diet of every Italian olive oil is the great importance to the entire population of a failure of the home supply may be somewhat realized. Added to this is the loss to the whole country, owing to the impossibility of securing the large income from selling in foreign markets, and the failure of the supply of common oil for home industries. Thus the crop failure this year becomes nothing less than a national misfortune."

Owing to an exceptionally mild winter in this region, with its absence of cold and rain, an unusually large number of insects were hatched out this season, especially of that destructive pest the so-called "olive-fly." The fruit was early attacked by these insects and dropped from the trees prematurely, while the few remaining olives were destroyed by the nibbling of the insects of the last summer. In consequence the olive trees are completely bare and there are no olives and no production of olive oil.

It is a question whether existing stocks of oil, although last season's production was plentiful as well as of very good quality, will be sufficient to supply the home consumption. Probably Italy will be obliged to import substitutes for olive oil. An excellent market may be here afforded for possibly large quantities of American cottonseed oil. It is to be hoped that American exporters may find it possible to take advantage of this opportunity. The Italian import duty on cottonseed oil is from 25.5 to 35 lire (\$6.85 to \$7.33) a hundred kilos (220 pounds). There is a further municipal tax, which in Messina amounts to 10 lire (\$4.92) a hundred kilos.

The best armed monarch in Europe today is the new Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria. His bedroom is filled with weapons which are not there for any ornamental purpose, but for use. The sinister collection includes guns, revolvers, daggers and here and there on chairs are cudgels and knuckle dusters. A small and wicked looking revolver with all its chambers loaded lies at the head of his bed. Though he takes all these precautions Ferdinand is a courageous man, but he suffers at night from a constant dread of assassination. A few weeks ago the palace at Sofia was awakened at the dead of night by a pistol shot ringing out in the stillness. No one ever heard what it was all about, but the shot was probably fired off by the prince in a fit of nervousness.

Mr. C. A. Phillips, who died recently, was a principal in the well known firm of Nunciaton but makers. The business was established about two centuries ago at Atherton, and subsequently passed by purchase into the hands of a Joseph Willday, whose family conducted it for more than a hundred years. As early as 1745 the round hats made of felt, then known as "Atherton caps," were not only sold largely in Great Britain but sent to the American plantations. Mr. Willday so increased the manufacture of these cheap felt hats that they became known as "Willday caps," from which name arose the term "Billyvecks." The English armies which fought in America, India and at Waterloo were supplied with hats from Willday's factory.

A return issued by the government of India shows that the total mortality among human beings reported to be due to wild animals in 1907 amounted to 1665, as compared with 2568 in 1906. The total is the lowest on record since the practice of collecting these statistics was initiated. The most noticeable variations from the figures of last year occur in Bengal, the United Provinces and the Central Provinces, where in Madras there was a comparatively large increase—from 167 to 201—in the

number of persons killed by tigers. The total mortality among human beings caused by snake bite fell from 22,811 in 1906 to 21,113 in 1907. So low a figure has not been reached since 1897. The Lauder-Brunton treatment of snake bite by incision and application of potassium permanganate and the distribution of lancets continues, but as usual the value of the results is accounted by the absence of identification of the snake, that inflicted the bite. In Burma nearly all the deaths occurred in paddy tracts where Russell's viper is particularly prevalent. Steps are being taken in this province to insure a wide distribution of Brunton lancets. It is too early yet to produce with any certainty as to the result of the experiment, but a number of favorable reports have been received. It is reported that in Pegu district six men and one buffalo bitten by Russell's vipers were operated on by headmen to whom lancets had been issued and all but one man, who was unconscious, recovered. Eight cases are reported from the United Provinces of the successful use of Dr. Carmichael's antivenom. In two of these cases the permanganate of potash treatment was also employed.

The number of wild animals destroyed was 15,711 as compared with 15,855 in 1906. The total number of snakes killed was 61,734, as compared with 61,850 in 1906, and the amount of the rewards paid for their destruction was Rs. 2570, as against Rs. 2839 in 1906. It would therefore appear that in the struggle between man and his hereditary enemy India still kills only three snakes for every man that is killed by them.

DIAMOND NOTES

Billy Sullivan is mentioned as the probable manager of the White Sox in case Fielder Jones really does quit baseball. Manager Bresnahan of the Cardinals will be accustomed to that title by next spring, as he has called off the spring series between the Cardinals and Browns.

Barney Dreyfus expects to have his new ball ready for use by July 1, 1909. The New Yorks can win four straight there just as easily as they did across the river.

Mike Donlin is working every morning in the Y. M. C. A. at working steadily and keeping at weight than it is to get heavy and have a lot of weight to take off he says.

Barney Reilly, who has been variously reported as the Yale freshman football captain and a famous Yale varsity baseball player, but who was neither, was signed with the Chicago White Sox. What Reilly really does do is to play in the infield on the freshman line. Since then he has played professional ball and is no longer eligible at all.

McGraw received a telegram from Frank Gowman yesterday, offering to trade Dahler, shortstop, Graham, outfielder for Sox, and Herzog, outfielder for Sox. McGraw has no particular need of Herzog, of the men mentioned, and it isn't likely a trade will be made unless it is to get rid of the Sox pitcher, who would go to Brooklyn and New York and get one of the Brooklyn players.

According to present indications the California State league will remain an National Baseball commission, to straighten matters out on the coast has resulted in failure, because the outlaws and the Pacific Coast league could not agree upon the terms of peace. The trouble arose over the status of the players now in the State league and who belong to clubs in organized leagues. The State league wanted the organization clubs to give absolute ownership of these players, but the Coast league could not see it that way. The latter was willing to leave the players concerned in the clubs with which they are at present engaged, but in case these clubs wanted to sell them the Coast league insisted that the men should revert to the clubs to which they really belong in absolute ownership.

Hal Johnson are on the way east. Hal Chase, who is playing in the outlaws league, is doing a lot of thinking just now. It is confidently believed that he will come east in the spring and report to the New York Americans. But if he should decide to remain in California with the outlaws it is not improbable that the New York club will seek to enjoin him in the California courts inasmuch as Chase is under contract to play here next year.

HOCKEY GAME

PROVED FATAL TO JOHN C. PROCTOR
READING, Dec. 26.—John C. Proctor, one of the most popular and skilful members of the Meadowbrook golf club, died of apoplexy at 11:30 yesterday morning, after playing a game of ice hockey.

In company with a party of club members yesterday Mr. Proctor went to Mishawum pond in Woburn, near the Reading line, and entered into the game with a zest.

The unusual exertion was fatal, for 15 minutes after the close of the game and just as he had removed his skates Mr. Proctor had a severe hemorrhage. Dr. E. D. Richmond, who was of the party, did everything possible to relieve the sufferer, but his efforts were unavailing.

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LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

A capacity audience greeted both performances of the popular Penberg Stock company at the Lowell Opera House yesterday afternoon and evening. Even standing room was at a premium. The company was at its best the evening when it gave a very clever presentation of the melodrama "King and Queen of Gamblers." Special mention would be made of clever interpretation of the roles of "Jack Diamond" by Ralph Hebert, and "Dolores, Queen of the Gamblers" by Miss Mary Schaffer. Some very pleasing vaudeville stunts were performed between the acts. The Penberg company concludes its present highly successful engagement in Lowell with the presentation of "The Hawk and the Dove," in which the much mooted sheath gown will prominently figure.

"THE MERRY WIDOW"
In a sense Miss Anna Bussert, the charming young cantatrice who is singing the role of Natalie in "The Merry Widow," is an artistic product of the Welsh Eisteddfod festival, a musical festival that is so dear to the hearts of that notably musical people.

For it was the winning of the first prize at an eisteddfod held in her native Cilo when she was a mere girl that determined the future career of this talented soprano. Miss Bussert, by the way, is a native American and, of course, very proud of it, but her mother was born in a little town in Wales whose names uses up pretty much all the consonants in the alphabet.

As a child wearing premature long skirts, Miss Bussert began an odd sort of career on the concert stage. While yet a schoolgirl, she made the discovery that her voice was unusual and that it was of such quality to command a price. On Sundays she traveled to Fort Wayne, a distance of about fifty miles, sang in a church choir, then sang again at an afternoon session in another of the prominent churches in the Indiana city and on Monday morning rose at four to catch a train that would take her home in time to reach the high school that she was attending.

In New York last season Miss Bussert was accorded the distinguished honor of singing under the direction of Felix Weingartner, the prominent German conductor, on the occasion of his appearance as "guest" conductor of the New York Symphony Orchestra. The "Merry Widow" is the first light opera in which Miss Bussert has appeared. She declares that if she can be so fortunate as to find enough appreciative audience she will postpone her grand opera ambitions.

Miss Bussert will be heard here when Henry W. Savage offers his original production of "The Merry Widow" at the opera house for three days, commencing Tuesday, Dec. 29th.

"THE SHOEMAKER"

A melodrama out of the ordinary and introducing Lew Welton, comedian and character actor, will be presented at the opera house next Monday, Dec. 28. It is by Hal Reid and is entitled "The Shoemaker." During the progress of the play's four acts there is not a dull moment. The action is constant and the plot is developed in an intelligent and natural manner. "The Shoemaker" differs from contemporary plays of the kind in that it makes a strong appeal to the heart. There is no attempt at exaggeration or spectacular effect. It is a play founded on the frailties of human nature and constructed by a master hand for the purpose of amusing and instructing.

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LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

for Hathaway's theatre during next week, would be hard to find anywhere. A most expensive bill has been provided, and the patrons of the theatre are sure to be pleased with it. The leading artists among a host of stars will be Howard and North, the mirth-provoking comedians, who will be remembered for their success as "The Rube from Wellington, Kansas," and "The schoolmate, a dandy New York boy offering this year in 'Back at Wellington,' and the New York critics pronounce it even better than the old sketch to which it is a sequel. In the new skit, the rube has settled down at home and married, the New York comes back to Wellington to claim the estate left him by an uncle, who the estate to his demise foreclosed a mortgage on the rube's home. He also intends to meet his boyhood sweetheart, and induce her to forsake the coming comedians, offering her the arriving and meeting her, finds that she is married to the county clerk, whereupon he takes the first train appointment of his former chum. The sketch is brightly written, and the rube is funnier than ever in his dry humor. William J. Morrissey and Nat D. Ayer, piano diversions and singing comedians, offer an extremely clever act. Their pianology is excellent, their singing most tuneful, and the number has been scoring a hit all the season. Leslie Leigh & Co. will present a one-act emotional play entitled, "Weaving the Net." Miss Leigh is an actress of marked ability in an earnest of emotional roles, and she is finely supported in her presentation. "The Flying Martini," two agile and muscular young men, give a hair-raising exhibition on the trapeze. Lines of double rope, going through their evolutions in exact time with each other. This is followed by a series of thrilling feats, in which one of the performers is suspended by hooking his feet around the trapeze's ankles, or by a rope held with his teeth. In the finale, the spectators are given a shock by the sudden slipping of the rope, so that the lower man is suspended, so that his head barely misses the footlights on the backward swing. Chasine, maker of shadow pictures, gives an astonishing exhibition of the picture and elabored by the employment of hands and feet. Felix Adler. The somewhat different methods of other conversational entertainers, in the uniqueness of his act, and Hathaway patrons will find his offering very refreshing. Strik and London are highly accomplished performers, both as acrobats and as cyclists, and their mixture of the two makes a fine act. The show closes with a series of the latest and most interesting moving pictures.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Standing room was a premium all day at the Academy yesterday and the crowds were delighted at the program offered.

In the different audiences were many who had never before visited the theatre since it became a moving picture theatre and they went away with a new and more favorable idea of this form of entertainment than they had ever before formed. The Dramagraph stock company, in the delightful comedy "The Cowboy and the Schoolmarm" made a distinct hit. It was both new and a decided novelty to all present. The Dramagraph company closes its Lowell engagement with the week and hence today is the last time that this great attraction will be seen here. It is an innovation in the line of picture entertainments and should not be missed. It includes a company of five clever actors and actresses who work in conjunction with pictures in a manner that gives the impression that it is really the pictures on the screen that talk.

In addition to the Dramagraph company the Christmas week bill includes Miss Grace Hawthorne and Mr. Frank Rogers, in illustrated songs and three reels of new moving pictures and in all it is the biggest program ever offered for the price of admission in Lowell. This is the last chance today, from 2 to 5 and 7 to 10. Ten cents admits to the best seat in the house and children are admitted at half price.

STAR THEATRE

Freeman's famous performing goats will be at the Star theatre all next week. This attraction will be in addition to the regular hourly shows, which start at 2, 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and at 7, 8 and 9 o'clock in the evening. The goats walk tight ropes, juggle different articles and do all kinds of apparently extraordinary feats. They have never been seen in Lowell.

Talking pictures, for the Star theatre is the home of talking pictures—will be presented throughout the week. The subjects procured by the management are intensely interesting. Then there is the moving pictures and illustrated songs, which are the latest issued. Although the performances will be lengthened by the new attraction, the goats, the admission price remains at five and ten cents. Seats can be procured for five cents. Special care given to women and children.

THEATRE LA SCALA

The Theatre La Scala which was formerly Funland played to packed houses yesterday. "The Montana Schoolmarm" is a clever and interesting story picture of the west in which the love affairs of a big branny cowboy and a sweet little school teacher are pleasingly told. "Slumberland" is a Christmas picture full of surprises and just the thing to interest the little folks. It tells of a youngster's dream in which he imagines that he visits Slumberland, Santa Claus' home, chaperoned by a kind fairy. He meets with many surprising adventures and in the end wakes up on Christmas morn finding that a part of his dream is true at least. "The Electric Hotel" is a clever French comedy trick picture full of surprises and one of the best laugh producers seen in a long time. "The songs are both pleasing 'Lonely Lou,' and 'Your Love, Your Eyes, Your Golden Hair' are the names.

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CHRISTMAS TREE



CHRISTMAS DAY

How it Was Observed at the Institutions

The gladness of the Christmas season penetrated to the heart of the institution for the sick, the poor, the orphan, the homeless and other unfortunates, and it cast a glow about the place. The erstwhile gloom of the prison walls was dispelled and even the hearts of the most hardened were turned to the Father. Little children sang Christmas carols and inmates of the poorhouse began the observance of the day with religious services.

The Salvation Army.

The Salvation Army barracks was the scene of great activity yesterday, and perhaps the biggest Christmas tree in the city was located there. Over 200 children of all sizes and ages visited the barracks and every one of them got a present. The Salvation Army had distributed baskets of food the day before and several of the children who visited its headquarters yesterday had also feasted from the good things contained in the basket. The army did not spare any pains to make the day a happy one for the children, and besides the distribution of toys of all descriptions they were treated to nuts, fruit and candy.

Edson Orphanage.

The Christmas tree exercises will be

held at the Edson Orphanage this afternoon. The boys attended St. Anne's church yesterday morning and later enjoyed a fine turkey dinner.

Turkey at the Farm.

Christmas at the city farm was attended by very pleasing features and the inmates had a good time. Mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, the city farm chaplain. There was special music and singing by Miss Nellie Donahue, Mr. James Donnelly and Mr. William Thornton. The chapel was prettily decorated as were also the hospitals. A splendid turkey dinner was served. Christmas carols were sung during the afternoon and at supper hot rolls and ginger bread were on the table.

Christmas at the Jail.

Hamburg steak was served instead of turkey at the jail. Keeper Shaw said that turkey was "too high." "Our people," he said, "had to be satisfied with hamburger steak. It was of good quality and all seemed to enjoy it."

The Humane Society.

The rooms of the republican headquarters in Central street were the scene of general gift giving yesterday morning. It was there that the Lowell Humane society had distributed its tree and there were 50 children present. Some of them were accompanied by their parents and others came alone. The distribution of the gifts was followed by an entertainment that was very pleasing. Agent Richardson distributed the presents and he was assisted by Mrs. George F. Richardson, Mrs. C. F. Richardson, Mrs. C. E. Church, Misses Bortha and Grace Halstead, Miss Blanche Flemings, Miss Annie Mosher and Paul Halstead. At the conclusion of the exercises "America" was sung by the entire audience.

At Children's Home.

Never in the history of the home did we have such a Christmas. Our friends were so generous that Christmas gifts and all that goes to make a Merry Christmas were freely made. There was a turkey dinner with all the fixings; fruit and confectionery in abundance; a large tree laden with gifts for all; dolls, books and handkerchiefs. Then we had a lot of vegetables and groceries, and quite a sum of money. To all who helped make the Christmas day one to be long remembered we extend our sincere thanks.

And we want to remind our friends that on Jan. 1, 1909, we hold our annual reception, when the home will be open all day to visitors and we hope many will call and see the children and the great changes we have made in the house. Large sums of money have been put into repairs and those who have given the money, we think, will be pleased to see and know that they had a part in making the home so sanitary and comfortable.

Very sincerely,
Ellen O'Leary, Matron.

Y. W. C. A. Observance.

Over 150 children were entertained Thursday afternoon at the Young

Women's Christian association in John street.

A Christmas tree loaded with gifts was erected in Kitson hall and at four o'clock the children were ushered into the hall to partake of the good things. The gifts consisted of clothing, toys, candy, fruit, cakes and cookies.

Old Ladies' Home.

A delightful musicale was given at the Old Ladies' Home in Fletcher street, Thursday afternoon under the auspices of the Cecilia orchestra of Chelmsford. Miss Mary B. Raynes, leader.

At the conclusion of the musical program the volunteer singers and members of the orchestra were refreshed with ice cream and cake.

There was no Christmas tree at the Home this year, but the residents received their gifts from outside friends individually, each one being generous by remembered. Yesterday they had the regulation Christmas dinner, with turkey and all the accompaniments.

Lowell Boys' Club.

Christmas exercises were held at the rooms of the Lowell Boys' club in Middle street on Christmas eve. There were about 300 boys present and after witnessing an exciting game of basketball they were given bags containing candy, popcorn and fruit.

At Truant School.

Christmas tree exercises were held at the Middlesex county truant school in North Chelmsford, Thursday afternoon. Supt. Warren prepared an excellent program for the amusement of the boys and there was a profusion of presents, some of which had been sent by the parents and friends of the boys, while others were supplied by Mr. Warren. The band from the school played a number of selections. Following them Len Galloway pleased the boys much with his singing ventriloquism. Each one of his six figures had something to say. John W. Myers sang several pieces and William F. Thornton read readings. Thomas Perkins completed the list of entertainers.

Y. M. C. A.

It was indeed a merry day, Christmas, for the members of the Young Men's Catholic Institute, for yesterday afternoon was observed the "Old Home Day" of the society. It proved a most pronounced success and elicited any similar event conducted by this popular Belvidere organization. The spacious hall was filled with members, young and old, together with invited guests.

The hall was decorated with streamers of laurel and greenery, while in front of the stage platform stood a huge Christmas tree loaded down with gifts for the members of the Y. M. C. A. President William P. Kelley was master of ceremonies while the role of Santa Claus was enacted by Mr. Frank McCarlin, one of the Institute's clever entertainers. He was assisted by William Harrington in the garb of a soldier and Al. Conney as "one of the finest" in policeman's attire, with the typical brass buttons. He saw that no one escaped Santa Claus. The gifts were numerous and varied, some beautiful and costly, others homely and otherwise creating much applause as they reached the hands of the recipients.

An entertainment, both musical and literary was given in which Mr. James Riley took a prominent part. President Kelley in his usual felicitous manner made remarks pertinent to the occasion and in behalf of the organization presented the highly esteemed spiritual director, Rev. John P. Reynolds, O. M. I., a creek calling for a substantial sum of money. This was given in recognition of his work during the year.

Father Reynolds was warmly received as he arose to accept the gift.

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and after acknowledging the same paid a glowing tribute to the members for the excellent showing the organization made during the year. He concluded by hoping that the ensuing year would be a greater success than all the preceding ones. The success of the affair was due to a very efficient committee headed by Vice President George F. O'Meara.

French-American Orphanage.

The children at the French-American orphanage in Pawtucket street, spent a most enjoyable Christmas, thanks to the many friends of the institution and in a great measure to Mrs. George Caisse and Mrs. J. C. Mauseau.

Christmas eve they gathered around two beautiful Christmas trees, loaded down with good things. The trees were set up in the large drawing room, one being for the girls and the other for the boys.

Dr. A. G. Payette made an excellent Santa Claus. Mrs. Caisse and Mrs. Mauseau assisted in the distribution of sweets, toys and articles of clothing.

Among those present were Rev. Fr. Campau, O. M. I., superior of St. Joseph's parish, Rev. Fr. LeFebvre, O. M. I., chaplain of the orphanage, and Rev. Frs. Ruggard and Plat, O. M. I., of Texas, who are guests at St. Joseph's rectory at the present time.

BOWLING NOTES

FOUR TEAMS CLOSE IN DUCK PIN LEAGUE

The end of the first week of the new Merrimack Valley Duck Pin league finds all four teams on an equal basis, but Lowell is entitled to first place owing to the fact that the

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NARROW ESCAPE

From Bad Collision at Branch and School Streets

Westford St. Chemical Engine Nearly Crashed Into North Chelmsford Electric Car—Motorman Hartman Saved the Day by Great Presence of Mind

While responding to box 62 shortly after 12 o'clock today, the Westford street chemical engine had the narrowest kind of an escape from a collision with the inbound North Chelmsford car, Conductor Edward McKoon and Motorman Hartman, the latter a spare man but onto his job.

The chemical was proceeding down Westford street at a good rate of speed while the electric car was bowling along Branch street and both arrived at the corner at about the same instant.

The driver of the chemical attempted to pull up his horses, but they slipped along and a collision was imminent. Motorman Hartman, however, saw the situation in a twinkling and instead of attempting to stop or back up which would have been fatal he threw on all the power and the car took a mighty bound ahead just in time, for the driver of the chemical by pulling the horses around into Branch street just escaped the rear vestibule by only a few inches.

There were five men on the rear platform and one who was at the step stated that the head of the nearer horse almost touched him. The men on the rear platform and Conductor McKoon ran toward the front of the car, tumbling over each other in their

fright, while the passengers inside were badly frightened. All spoke in highest praise of Motorman Hartman for his presence of mind and prompt action.

It is stated that there were several men at the corner of Branch and School streets who although seeing both vehicles approaching unknown to each other never made the slightest attempt to warn the car to hold up.

A Lively Blaze
The alarm from box 62 about 12 o'clock this noon was for a fire in the residence of William A. Cook, 23 Wampanoag street, who is the well known overseer of the ring spinning department of the Tremont mills. A boy named O'Donnell discovered the roof of the front portion of the house ablaze and called the attention of Dr. George Simmons of the American Express company to the same and he quickly rang in the alarm.

The fire which was quite severe was confined mainly to the upper portion of the house and considerable water was used before the blaze was extinguished. It is thought that the loss on the property will be about \$1000. The fire is supposed to have been due to a defective chimney and started in what is known as a "blind attic."

COL. LEWIS

TO GO ON SECRET MISSION FOR STATE DEPT.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The Inter-Ocean today in a news article says: Col. James Hamilton Lewis, a well known attorney who left Chicago for New Orleans two weeks ago and who is now in San Francisco, will go to Japan and China on a secret mission for the state department, it is said, before returning to this city.

The nature of Col. Lewis' mission is not known even to his private secretary, according to a statement made by the latter, but it is known that he is carrying letters from President Roosevelt and the secretary of state.

MORTALITY OF LOWELL

For the week ending Dec. 26, 1908: Population, 96,350; total deaths, 20; deaths under five, 6; infectious diseases, 1; acute lung diseases, 1; diphtheria, 1; death rate, 10.79 against 18.24 and 13.49 for previous two weeks.

Infectious diseases reported: Typhoid fever, 4; scarlet fever, 1; diphtheria, 1; membranous croup, 1; measles, 2.

Board of Health.

IN AIRSHIPS

KNABENSHUE MADE REMARK-ABLE FLIGHT YESTERDAY

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 26.—To celebrate Christmas day Roy Knabenshue made a remarkable flight in his airship yesterday afternoon, leaving

THE DAY AFTER

Downtown Retains Its Holiday Aspect

The day after, unlike most days after, was really more of a holiday on the streets than Christmas day itself and from the early hours this morning great crowds of men and women all apparently happy, enjoyed the respite from work, for all of the mills are closed today.

Yesterday even the drug stores closed from 1 to 6 in the afternoon and the streets were deserted during the afternoon hours, but today the streets were crowded and there was considerable business reported.

The crowds proceeded leisurely along the streets today making frequent stops to talk with friends in striking contrast to the mad rush of the shoppers and the multiplicity of bundles and packages that bumped each other through the streets just before the holidays.

Many suit cases and travelling bags were in evidence last night and today as hundreds who had come to Lowell for the holiday made their departures and those who had gone away returned.

The storekeepers are all happy after the holiday for business took a great impetus on Thursday evening and the volume of business was greater than ever before, though the purchases not so expensive and at the finish matters were evened up. It has been the custom of dealers in toys to mark them down to a low price late on Christmas eve as toys change so from year to year that this year's toys will be old fashioned one year hence. The toy purchasers this year were on to that fact and waited. Those who deal in toys state that the rush for them at the late hours was something unprecedented.

SLICK SWINDLER

Police Warned to Watch For Him

The U. S. Fidelity and Guarantee company of Baltimore, Md., has notified the local police to be on the lookout for a bogus agent travelling under the aliases of E. S. Caylor, H. C. Dayton, E. F. Taylor and George Hillson.

His method of swindling is to go into a town, engage an office, and then advertise for agents and solicitors. When the victims appear he outlines their work which is to be of a most lucrative nature to them and then informs them that he must require an indemnity bond. This he agrees to secure for them from the company above mentioned and collects a tidy sum from each to send to the Fidelity company. When he has gathered up a sufficient sum he jumps the town.

He is described as being 5 feet, 10 inches, slender build, fairly good looking, light complexioned, light hair and eyes and well dressed. He is generally accompanied by a woman whom he introduces as his wife.

PEANUT SHELL

CAUSED THE DEATH OF CHICAGO CHILD

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Martha Fones, a 2-year-old child, lies dead at her home, while her Christmas tree adorned with gifts and with candles unit, stands in the next room. The baby swallowed a peanut shell, which lodged in her throat, and died at a hospital, despite the efforts of the surgeons.

THE DAY AFTER

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ELECTION COURT

To Inquire Into Election Expenses of Gov.-Elect Lilley

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 26.—An election court to inquire into the campaign and election expenses of Congressman Lilley of Waterbury, who is the governor-elect and who will be inducted into office on Jan. 6, was opened here today upon the application of George L. Fox, a schoolmaster of this city under provisions of a corrupt practices act passed by the general assembly in 1905. The judges are Elias A. Robinson and W. L. Bennett of the superior court. The sitting of this court is of exceptional interest not alone to politicians but to the legal fraternity, as the procedure, it is said, will follow English precedents. Mr. Fox, who has studied English and Canadian election laws, claims that this is the first election court to be set up in this country.

Today's proceedings follow the very bitter campaign waged in this state against Congressman Lilley who was the republican nominee for governor. The republican party in his own party and the strength of this antagonism is shown by the fact that while Judge Taft carried the state by over 44,000, Mr. Lilley had slightly less than 18,000. The present inquiry, should it reach the stage of taking of the canvass for the nomination in the

spring and summer. Mr. Fox has given no intimation of the scope of the inquiry in case he is ordered to put in the facts. He has subpoenaed many witnesses although agent for Mr. Lilley in New Haven left for the south before the court papers were served upon him. Other supposed agents of Mr. Lilley are expected to be in court. The campaign expenses of Mr. Lilley were returned in the certificate to the secretary of state at \$23,000 those of Judge Robinson, the democratic nominee for governor, at \$30,000 while the anti-Lilley republicans headed by George S. Palmer of New London, spent over \$15,000.

Mr. Fox has been scrutinizing the accounts of many candidates. His power of subpoena under the corrupt practices act is believed to be unlimited.

For a time at least it is expected that the lawyers will throw out legal questions. At the outset Col. Burpee of Waterbury and State's Attorney Stiles Judson of Stratford raised the question of the constitutionality of the corrupt practices act in a pleading which pointed out that the act contravenes several sections of the state constitution, especially in the paragraphs which provide for an enquiry of the kind now opened.

LOWELL SUICIDE INJURED BY AUTO

James Carson Took Gas at Providence, R. I.

The local police this morning received a telephone message from Police Station No. 1 of Providence to the effect that James Carson, a blacksmith or horseshoer, whose home is in Lowell, had committed suicide in that city yesterday by inhaling illuminating gas. Further particulars were not given but the Providence police stated that the deceased has a daughter Ella Carson living at 53 Schaffer street.

Officer Castles was detailed to look up any relatives of the deceased.

The deceased was 38 years of age and was found dead in his room in a boarding house in Friendship street, early this morning. He was a member of the journeymen horseshoers' union, according to a card found in his pocket.

ST. STEPHEN DAY

Feast of Earliest of Christian Martyrs

"The wren, the wren, the king of birds."

Today is St. Stephen's Day, the feast of St. Stephen, the deacon, often called the Protomartyr for he was the earliest of the Christian martyrs and was stoned to death.

In Ireland, the day is observed as a day of feasting and of gifts to the poor, while for sport the hunting of the wren takes place on St. Stephen's Day.

The wren is known in Ireland as the "king of birds" and there are many little ballads in its honor. The history of its title is handed down from an old Irish legend to the effect that at a great feast once given on St. Stephen's Day the king had before him one of each variety of birds which at a given signal were released. The bird that soared the highest was to be called "the king of birds." All looked to the eagle to soar the highest, but as the birds were released, the diminutive wren alighted on the back of the eagle and remained there until the eagle had flown as high as it could when the wren flew even higher and was forthwith proclaimed the "king of birds."

Aubrey de Vere wrote a hymn for St. Stephen's Day, the concluding stanza of which is as follows:

"Faithful deacon, still at Christmas Decking tables for the poor, Martyr at the bridal table Guest of God forevermore. In the realms of endless day For these carly clients pray."

DEATHS

MAGUIRE—Yvonne Mary Maguire, daughter of James and Margaret, aged five years, six months, died this morning at her parents' home, 1366 Gosham street. The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. T. J. McDermott, undertaker.

PERRY—Charles E. Perry, died today at 82 West Broadway, Charlestown, Mass. The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the funeral parlors of T. J. McDermott.

O'KEEFE—Robert O'Keefe, aged 50 years, died today at his home, 2 Concord street, off Concord street. She leaves a daughter, Nellie, and one brother, Edward. The funeral will take place on Monday morning at 9 o'clock, with services in the Immaculate Conception church at 10 o'clock. Interment in charge of T. J. McDermott.

If you want help at home or in your business try The Sun "Want" column.

LEADERS OF CONGRESS

Want Special Session Called Immediately After Inaugural

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—If leaders in congress of both political parties are able to bring sufficient influence on President-elect Taft, the special session to revise the tariff will be called almost immediately after inauguration. The purpose will be to call the special session as soon as possible and secure an adjournment before the extremely hot weather sets in. Several members of congress who have discussed the subject with Mr. Taft believe that his views in regard to an early and short session coincide with the plan suggested.

Ordinarily a special session is not called until after some time has elapsed after the adjournment of a regular session. The delay has been to give members of congress an opportunity to go to their homes and transact personal business and return to Washington for a long stay. Their seems to be a unanimity of protest against a long delay of Washington summer, however, and the usual course is likely to be altered.

Inaugural years the senate is always in session ten days or a fortnight in order to confirm nominations under the new administration and it has been suggested that the house could be in session also and utilize the time in considering the tariff bill as it will have to be disposed of there before it can be taken up by the senate. It is expected that the house ways and means committee will have a bill ready to report to the special session on the day it assembles and that no time will be lost by committee hearings. As soon as the bill has been drafted it can be taken up by the senate committee on finance and that committee can be ready to report, if it works assiduously as soon as the bill has been passed by the house and messaged to the senate. If this course be followed and it now seems probable that it will be, it is believed the special tariff revision can be concluded inside of four months.

IS A COSTLY JOB

To Build Sewer in Wigginville and South Lowell

Letters relative to sewers in Wigginville and South Lowell have passed between the city engineer and the state board of health and it would seem that regardless of how it is finally decided, Lowell has a pretty costly proposition on her hands.

The state board in disposing of the matter says:

"Of the two plans proposed for discharging the sewage into the main sewerage system of the city the plan under which the sewage would be conveyed to the main sewer at the junction of Lawrence and South Whipple streets, appears to have a decided advantage in the matter of cost over the plan for conveying the sewage to Rogers street on the east side of the river, since by the former plan it will be practicable to replace a sewer too

small for the district which it is designed to serve. Having considered the plans and estimates of cost now presented, the board is of the opinion that the best practicable plan for disposing of the sewage of Wigginville and South Lowell will be to discharge it into the main sewerage system of the city of Lowell at the corner of Lawrence and South Whipple streets.

Under the plan presented the main sewer from Wigginville and South Lowell to the proposed outlet at the corner of Lawrence and South Whipple streets will pass under the Concord river in the form of an inverted siphon, and a settling tank is suggested to be located at the southern end of the siphon, for the removal of solid matter therefrom.

A FALLING OFF POLICE CIRCLES

In Number of Marriages in Lowell

Few Arrests Were Made Yesterday

Lowell's matrimonial market for 1908 was not as prosperous as was her market for 1907. It would seem that the colliding of affluence was not so frequent an occurrence during the present year as a year ago. In 1907 not less than 1119 couples had pledged their troth up to the day after Christmas, Dec. 26, and this year 927 couples declared their intention to share each other's joys and sorrows, which leaves a balance of 192 unions in favor of 1907. The chances are that cupid has been working overtime in some other city.

This morning when police court opened, there were but seven offenders in the dock. Christmas day there were but six arrests, while the day before there were comparatively few arrests.

Of the 24 persons arrested 23 were in for drunkenness and one for larceny from the person.

FOOD AND FUEL

DISTRIBUTED BY THE CHARITY DEPT

Rays of sunshine radiated from the office of the board of charities at the city hall during the days that immediately preceded Christmas and to many a poor home went food and fuel to warm the heart and prepare the soul for the giving of thanks. The demand upon the board was greater this year than ever before and none who was at all worthy was turned away empty-handed.

THE FIRE IN POLLARD AVENUE

The alarm from box 15 at about 2:30 this morning was for a fire in a mattress in a little old house in Pollard avenue, on John street. The house is occupied by foreigners and it was not explained how the mattress caught fire. The damage was very slight.

WATER BOARD MET

The water board met this forenoon and heard a general discussion of things and bills having to do with the department, approved bills for the month.

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of one of our beautiful gas lamps will be just as acceptable as at Christmas time.

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Officials and Revolutionists

COURSER—The funeral of the late William Corsur will take place Sunday afternoon from his late home, 103 Powell street, at 1.30 o'clock. Services at St. Peter's church at 2.30. Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

ONE MAN KILLED

Rival Suitors Engaged in a Duel to the Death

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 26.—A duel to the death with knives in a dark room Christmas eve between two suitors for the hand of 14-year-old Julia Pice, resulted in the death of Powell Fromich and the serious injury of Michael Milanovich, who is under arrest on the charge of murder. Fromich's brother was fatally stabbed when he attempted to separate the fighting lovers. The girl for whom the men fought, and neither of whom, it is said, she loves, was struck by Milanovich and badly hurt.

Both Fromich and Milanovich had pressed their suits Thursday and proposed marriage to the girl. She refused each in turn. Each thought the other the cause of his rejection.

Both men boarded in the Pice home. Arriving home late Thursday night, after an unhappy day, Milanovich is said to have gone to Fromich's room and accused the latter of stealing his sweetheart.

"I am going to kill you for it," Milanovich is alleged to have exclaimed. Fromich leaped from his bed and asked Milanovich if he wanted to fight. Hastily a duel was arranged and the two went to the kitchen, spread a cloth upon the floor, darkened the room and drew their knives and, holding each other by the left hand, began the deadly struggle.

Only muffled curses and the heated breaths of the bleeding antagonists broke the silence. Desperately they lunged and swayed as wound after wound was inflicted. After a few minutes the blows became fewer and weaker until finally, with a knife thrust through him, penetrating his temple, his face and body gashed to strips, Fromich fell to the floor with a groan. He died soon afterwards.

At this moment Fromich's brother and the girl arrived. Milanovich, covered with wounds, fled after attacking Fromich and the girl, but was later arrested by the police.

PLAGUE CRUSADE

Said to Have Made Suicide Easy

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Investigation of the manner in which Contracting Electrician Harry X. Boas met death has developed the startling fact that nearly 30 persons a month have committed suicide as a direct result of the crusade against bubonic plague rats in this city. Although the police department insisted upon its usual suicide theory, Theodore Kyka, the handwriting expert and famous by the Theodore Durrant murder trial, proved that Boas was poisoned by strychnine powder mailed him by his partner.

While searching for the drug store that sold the poison, Detective Sergeant Gallagher and his men discovered conditions that sent them scurrying to the police commissioner in consternation. Claiming it was necessary in the campaign against the little rodents, the druggists have for nearly a year been selling any poison in the big category of steady death without prescriptions, and in most cases without even the customary caution label. This, too, without regard to the large appropriation made by the last legislature to prosecute diabolical druggists.

A meeting of the heads of the city

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We have a large assortment of used pianos that will prove tempting to economical buyers, prices \$50, \$75, \$100, \$125 and \$150 and upwards. On monthly payments of \$3, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8, or more. Why rent a piano when the same monthly payments will purchase a good piano from us? Send for our bargain list of used pianos.

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P. S.—If you have never had work done at the Bay State Dye Works, try it.

ARE NOW "MR. AND MRS. NEWLYWED"



NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The comic series, "The Newlyweds and Their Baby," originated by George McManus of the New York World and enjoyed by millions of fun loving Americans, has been productive of a pretty little romance in real life, for Miss Florence Bergere, the winsome stage beauty who was the original of Mrs. Newlywed, has become the bride of the artist. They were married in New York City on December 23 and are now on their honeymoon trip. Mr. McManus and his bride are both from St. Louis. They met four years ago when Miss Bergere was a member of the "Pan Handle Pete" company, a stage production of one of Mr. McManus' comic series. Her striking beauty attracted the artist, and he got her to pose for him. Mrs. Newlywed was the result. The Newlyweds and their amazing baby, Napoleon, are familiar figures to everybody who enjoys real fun.

FATALLY BURNED

LEO WAGNER WAS PLAYING SANTA CLAUS

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 26.—Leo Wagner died in a hospital yesterday from burns received last night while playing Santa Claus at a family reunion. Clad in a Santa Claus costume, which was set off by a great bunch of cotton whiskers, Wagner was leading the merriment when suddenly the whiskers caught fire. The flames spread rapidly and he was fatally burned before they could be extinguished.

CHINESE LEPER

MOCK SEM DIED IN HARRISBURG YESTERDAY

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 26.—Mock Sem, the leper who has been the involuntary and expensive charge of the city of Harrisburg since July 7, 1907, died at the Municipal hospital Friday, tuberculosis being the cause of death. The man was a pronounced leper, the evidence of the dread disease being apparent in his face, arms and chest, while he suffered from lung trouble for months.

He came from China and was found as a cook in a restaurant here. He was isolated. Mock never took kindly to accidental cooking and after a month's trial demanded his own raw materials and cook stove, on which he cooked in his own way. The cost of the Chinaman's maintenance, which caused considerable debate in the city councils, was about \$175 a month.

ST. PATRICK'S ALUMNI

Arrangements for the first banquet and reunion of the Alumni of St. Patrick's Academy are now practically complete. The affair will be held next Wednesday night in the school hall in Suffolk street.

The after dinner exercises will be opened by President Joseph A. O'Brien, 1900 who will introduce James E. O'Donnell, '22, as toastmaster. Then will follow addresses by different graduates and these will be varied by a pleasing musical program.

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It loosens the phlegm as nothing else can, bringing quick relief and a permanent cure. Get a 50 cent bottle from any druggist and cure yourself.

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IN THE CHURCHES

Preachers and Their Sermon Subjects

The following sermon subjects are contained in the church notices for tomorrow:

Baptist
Chelmsford street F. B.; 10:30 a. m. farewell sermon by the pastor, Rev. A. E. Kenyon. 6:30 p. m., holy communion.

St. Vermon F. B.; 10:30 a. m., Rev. J. A. McKnight will preach on "A Gracious Invitation;" 4:30 p. m., vesper service conducted by Rev. F. A. MacLennan.

First (Mr. Tomkinson) 10:30 a. m., "The Relation of Religion to Business;" 6:30 p. m., "The Last Chance." Branch Street: Morning, "The Saving Power of Jesus;" evening, "Saying by Losing;" Special music.

Swedish: 5:30 a. m., usual Christmas services; 3:30 p. m., Sunday school concert.

French: Morning, service in charge of the ladies of the church and Mrs. Sarah Laporte will speak on Grand Ligne mission. Evening, Albert Melard will have charge.

Christian Science
First Church of Christ Scientist: 10:45 a. m., "Christian Science;" testimonial meeting Wednesday at 7:45 p. m.

Congregational
Elliot: Morning, "Seeing Salvation;" 7 p. m., Mr. James P. Ramsay, probation officer, will speak on "Some Experiences With Men In Jail."

Highland: 10:30 a. m., "Our Biography;" 5 p. m., "Three Essentials of Goodness."

High Street: "Our Alabaster Box;" evening, Christmas concert.

Pawtucket: 10:30 a. m., "The Biography of a Great Man and His Lessons;" selections from the Christmas cantata will be repeated; 7 p. m., Sunday school Christmas concert.

First: 10:30 a. m., "Ebenzer;" 6:30 p. m., "A Good World to Live In."

First Trinitarian: 10:30 a. m., "The End and the Beginning;" 6:45 p. m., Mr. Kennett will give an illustrated lecture on "Rome, the Eternal City."

Dracut Centre: Morning and evening, Rev. E. C. Bartlett, formerly of Chelmsford Centre will preach.

Wrought Foundations:
Ministry-at-Large: 10:45 a. m., "The Glad New Year;" young people's service at 12 m.

Episcopal
St. Anne's: 7:15 a. m., holy communion; 10:30 a. m., full service and sermon; 7 p. m., carol service by the Sunday school, with address by the rector; no Sunday school session.

House of Prayer: Morning, choral eucharist and sermon; evening, evening prayer and sermon.

Methodist
Gorham Street P. M.: Morning and evening, the pastor will preach.

St. Paul's M. E.: 10:30 a. m., "Not Perfect, But Getting Better;" 6:30 p. m., Sunday school concert.

Worthing Street M. E.: 10:30 a. m., "Thrice Called;" 6:50 p. m., Christmas sermon and songs illustrated with beautiful colored slides and stereopticon.

Presbyterian
First, 10:30 a. m., "The Star of Bethlehem;" 7 p. m., "Over the Bar;" Westminster: Morning and evening

GOT A PARDON

Lowell Man Receives Christmas Gift

PITCHBURG, Dec. 26.—Timothy J. O'Leary received a Christmas present in the form of a pardon from a three years' sentence in the South Fitchburg Jail Thursday from his counsel, Mayor-elect M. Fred O'Connell, and went to his home at Lowell to join in the family reunion. O'Leary was sentenced in August, 1906, on a charge of assault on John McCune at Worcester in 1905.

O'Leary was a brakeman on the New York Central and lived at a lodging house in Worcester in 1905, kept by Mrs. Mary McGrath. Her husband died and O'Leary, who was very attentive, found her out walking with another man one night. He asked for an explanation and a fight took place in which the second man, John McCune, was seriously injured. It was first believed that McCune could not recover.

O'Leary was arrested at Mechanicville, N. Y. He is well known in Lowell.

JOHN RICKFORD

WON UNDER-GRADUATE PRIZE AT PRINCETON

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 26.—The most coveted undergraduate prize at Princeton, and one of the largest competitive prizes offered in any American university, is the Stimpke Scholarship which has just been awarded to John D. Bickford, of Columbus, Ohio, a member of the sophomore class.

This prize is available once every three years and is the income of a special trust fund yielding \$1500. This sum is payable to the successful competitor in three yearly installments of \$500. In other words, the prize is large enough to pay its winner's expenses through the rest of his college course. It is awarded to that member of the sophomore class who passes the best examination in Virgil, Xenophon, and Greek and Latin Grammar. It will be made available next in the fall of 1911.

BOY DROWNED

HE FELL THROUGH HOLE IN ICE.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 26.—While returning from a hunting expedition in Westport yesterday, Herbert Williamson, aged 17 years, and two boy companions fell through the ice on South Watuppa pond. Williamson was drowned but his two friends escaped.

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AN ENTERTAINING LECTURE ON "GREECE AND HER CHILDREN" was given in Mathew Hall in Dutton street, last night by Rev. Panos G. Giniere, for the benefit of the Greek reading room. The speaker visited his native land about a year ago and traveled extensively at that time.

LECTURE ON GREECE

EMBROIDERY PLANT SOLD

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 26.—The Eugene Keller Embroidery works, at No. 941 Dennot street, North Bergen, by order of the court of chancery, have been sold at public auction by the receiver, George R. Beach, to Edgar Friedman and a syndicate of New York for \$18,000. It is recognized as one of the best equipped factories in the state.

CHACE MILL DECLARES 2 PER CENT

FALL RIVER, Dec. 26.—The directors of the Chace mill have declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, which will mean an outlay of \$24,000 on the capital of \$1,200,000. During 1907, this corporation paid \$69,000, in addition to a stock dividend of 33-1-3 per cent.

FALL RIVER DIVIDENDS

FALL RIVER, Dec. 26.—The directors of the Merchants Manufacturing Co. declared a quarterly dividend of 1 per cent, on its capital of \$1,200,000, which will mean a disbursement of \$12,000 to be paid on Jan. 1. During 1907, this corporation paid 54 per cent, in cash dividends, in addition to

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TEXTILE NOTES

Interesting Items From Mill Centres

BURLINGTON, N. J., Dec. 26.—Satisfied after a thorough study of conditions that American labor is superior to that of the "Yankee of the East," operators of the Burlington silk mills, have confirmed the reports that the concern would close several large mills in Japan and move its entire plant to this city.

Contracts for fine silk goods have kept the local plant working day and night for five months, and the finer character of the American goods has brought from Vice President J. H. Rosenthal, who represents the firm in the Orient, the recommendation that the entire manufacturing business be transferred to this country, and the raw material transported to America.

The firm will begin immediately the erection of its new plant here in which 1000 looms will be installed and employment given to a corresponding number of employees. The plant will add nearly \$50,000 weekly to local payrolls.

SOMERSET MILL IMPROVEMENT.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 26.—A new boiler, capable of generating 125 horsepower, is being installed at the Somerset Worsted Mills, East Madison. The mills have previously been equipped with a boiler of 50 horsepower, this furnishing steam for the various processes of textile manufacture and some power for operating machinery in emergency. It has been ever, during the long dry spell of the past season, and the new boiler became a necessity.

WARRANTON PLANT BUSY

TORRINGTON, Conn., Dec. 26.—The Warranton Woolen company is operating its plant three nights a week at the present time, there being a press of business. At the old plant an experiment is being tried with the lighting system. New lights have been installed and are said to be giving excellent satisfaction. They will be used in the new plant at the Daytonville end of the line.

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MAJOR TAYLOR

WAS CHARGED WITH ROUGH RIDING

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—In the Christmas night bicycle race at the Park Square Coliseum last night, Jackie Clarke of Australia, was awarded a special match sprint race against Major Taylor, colored, of Worcester, after Taylor had won 2 of the 3 heats. In the third heat, Clarke alleged Taylor was guilty of rough riding and the referee agreed and awarded the sprint to Clarke, but not until Taylor was given a chance to ride the heat over again which he refused.

MUSICAL ETUDE CLUB

The Musical Etude club whose teacher is Miss Ella M. Martel, has elected the following officers: Musical director, Miss Martel; president, Mrs. A. P. Sarre; secretary, Mrs. Eva Blinette.

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JAMES E. O'DONNELL, Notary Public.

This is by far the largest net average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

Those libel suits threatened by President Roosevelt against the New York World and the Indianapolis News are not likely to materialize. Possibly the president learned something about the law of libel after consulting the attorney general.

THE PRESIDENT'S BITTERNESS.

If President Roosevelt will recall the many instances in which he used the muck rake with the very worst results that he could produce he should not feel such enmity towards a couple of newspapers that published matter concerning the Panama canal that is fully as reliable as many of his own statements. The president seems to be falling into a condition of mental bitterness that causes him to pour out his rancor without the restraint that is expected from a man in his high station.

PROGRESS IN GOVERNMENT REFORM.

The movement for governmental reform is making great progress throughout the country. This is seen not only in the prosecution of wrongdoers but in the improvement in the methods of governing cities and states.

It is a well known fact that there has been more laxity and more dishonesty in the government of our American cities than appears in the government of cities in any other country in the world. We are gradually getting over this discreditable state of affairs, and the time seems to be at hand when our American cities will be governed in a decent, respectable manner by men of strict integrity, men of experience and ability whose leadership in all matters of public interest can be implicitly relied upon by those who elect them. We must secure an improvement in the system as well as in the men, for in the majority of cases where misgovernment appears the system and not the men is responsible.

THE PARK BOARD.

The report of the park commission shows that that board is accomplishing a great deal with a small expenditure of money. Although it is going slow it is steadily moving in the right direction towards the development of a great park system for Lowell. Not only is it beautifying our present parks but it is picking up the vacant spaces in congested districts throughout the city and presenting their availability to the public for park purposes. The park board has a list of such places that can be easily turned into public breathing places at a slight expense. A few years of such work will show splendid results, and now that the city will soon establish at least two more public playgrounds we may expect to find the board selecting these and preparing them for public use within a short time.

The board has started upon a crusade that should result in the removal of many of the unsightly bill boards throughout the city. These boards disfigure many of our public streets, they hold out to the public gaze advertisements of special brands of whiskey, beer and patent medicines. Such advertisements flaunted to the eyes of the public are not creditable to our city. The appearance of our streets can be greatly improved by their removal. The bill board evil has been attacked in many places throughout the country and especially where there is any movement for the beautification of the city.

Another matter that engages the earnest attention of the board is the moth question. The park board performs the work of cutting down the moth nests very faithfully, but unfortunately every spring and summer brings a new crop of the brown tails to be followed by a new lot of nests. This will continue until the country towns are compelled to perform the work of exterminating the nests same as is done in the city or until they adopt the German method of capturing the moths by a great search light which gathers them into a receptacle from which they cannot escape. Something of the kind must be done in order that the cities may be protected against the moth pest propagated in the country towns.

NOTABLE CONFLICTS IN CONGRESS.

Seldom have there been so many sectional fights on in congress as there are at the present time. The so-called insurgents of the republican party are up in arms against the despotism of Speaker Cannon, and they are backed by the democrats of the house with the prospect of scoring a signal victory. Their proposition is to have the rules changed so that the appointment of committees will be made by a committee for that purpose instead of by the speaker. This would relieve most of the members of the dictatorial authority exercised over them by Speaker Cannon. It would prevent him from "queering" them on the appointment of committees. This is but one of the propositions advanced for restricting his power so as to prevent him curtailing the freedom of debate and stifling popular opinion.

Another conflict that is on in congress has for its object the overthrow of the Hale-Adair combination in the senate. It is led by such men as LaFollette, Beveridge and Cummins, who object to the dominant leadership of the New England senators. Senator Lodge, although from Massachusetts, has rarely been identified with New England interests to such an extent as to excite the opposition of any senator from any other part of the country.

Both houses are practically a unit in their opposition to the president's outrageous attack upon the members of both branches. He has been sternly called upon to produce some reason for his assertion that members of congress modified the secret service department in order to prevent being themselves investigated.

The usual courteous formalities and phraseology in which such requests are couched were purposely omitted and the demand was made in blunt terms that must necessarily be well understood by the president. There is considerable anxiety as to what the president's answer will be and whether he will attempt to support his charge with any form of argument or presentation of facts.

PEOPLE OF NOTE

In reporting that the olive crop this year in Italy and Sicily is a total failure Arthur S. Cheney of Messina says: "Never in the memory of the proverbial 'oldest inhabitant' has there been such an absolute lack of production of this necessary fruit as now prevails in this district. When it is remembered how essential in the diet of every Italian olive oil is the great importance to the olive supply may be somewhat realized. Added to this are the loss to the whole country, owing to the impossibility of securing the large income from selling in foreign markets, and the failure of the supply of common oil for home industries. Thus the crop failure this year becomes nothing less than a national misfortune."

Owing to an exceptionally mild winter in this region, with its absence of cold and rain, an unusually large number of insects were hatched out this season, especially that destructive pest the so-called "olive-fly." The fruit was early attacked by these insects and dropped from the trees prematurely, while the few remaining olives were destroyed by the notable seven-month drought of the last summer. In consequence the olive trees are completely bare and there are no olives and no production of olive oil.

It is a question whether existing stocks of oil, although in season, of production was plentiful as well as of very good quality, will be sufficient to supply the home consumption. Probably Italy will be obliged to import substitutes for olive oil. An excellent market may be here afforded for possibly large quantities of American cotton-seed oil. It is to be hoped that American exporters may find it possible to take advantage of this unusual opportunity. The Italian import duty on cottonseed oil is from 35.5 to 38 lire (\$6.85 to \$7.33) a hundred kilos (220 pounds). There is a further municipal tax which in Messina amounts to 10 lire (\$1.93) a hundred kilos.

The best armed monarch in Europe today is the new Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria. His bedroom is filled with weapons which are not there for any ornamental purpose, but for use. The sinister collection includes guns, revolvers, daggers and here and there on chairs are cudgels and knuckle dusters. A small and wicked looking revolver with all its chambers loaded hangs on the head of his bed. Though he takes all these precautions Ferdinand is a courageous man, but he suffers at night from a constant dread of assassination. A few weeks ago the palace at Sofia was awakened at the dead of night by a pistol shot ringing out in the stillness. No one ever heard what it was all about, but the shot was probably fired off by the prince in a fit of nervousness.

Mr. C. A. Phillips, who died recently, was a principal in a well known firm of Newmarket hat makers. The business was established about two centuries ago at Atherton, and subsequently passed by purchase into the hands of a Joseph Willday, whose family conducted it for more than a hundred years. At early as 1745 the house of hats made of soft felt, then known as "Atherton cocks," were not only sold largely in Great Britain but sent to the American plantations. Mr. Willday so increased the manufacture of these cheap felt hats that they became known as "Willday cocks," from which name arose the term "Willdaycocks." The English armies which fought in America, India and at Waterloo were supplied with hats from Willday's factory.

A return issued by the government of India shows that the total mortality among human beings reported to be due to wild animals in 1907 amounted to 1966, as compared with 2086 in 1906. The total is the lowest on record since the practice of collecting these statistics was initiated. The most noticeable features of the figures are that no deaths occurred in Bengal, the United Provinces and the Central Provinces, while in Madras there was a comparatively large decrease—from 167 to 201—in the

number of persons killed by tigers. The total mortality among human beings caused by snake bite fell from 22,811 in 1907 to 21,119 in 1908. So low a figure has not been reached since 1897.

The older Brunton treatment of snake bite by incision and application of permanganate of potash and the distribution of lancets continues, but as usual the value of the results is discounted by the absence of identification of the snake that inflicted the bite. In Burnham nearly all the deaths occurred in paddy fields where Russell's vipers are particularly prevalent. Steps are being taken in this province to insure a wide distribution of Brunton lancets. It is too early yet to pronounce with any certainty as to the result of the experiment, but a number of favorable reports have been received. It is reported that in Pegu district six men and one buffalo bitten by Russell's vipers were operated on by Brunton to whom lancets had been issued and all but one man who was unconscious, recovered. Eight cases reported from the United Provinces of the successful use of Dr. Calmette's antivenene. In two of these cases the permanganate of potash treatment was also employed.

The number of wild animals destroyed was 15,711 as compared with 15,655 in 1907. The total number of snakes killed was 61,734, as compared with 61,830 in 1906, and the amount of the rewards paid for their destruction was Rs. 2670, as against Rs. 2639 in 1906. It would therefore appear that in the struggle between man and his hereditary enemy India still kills only three snakes for every man that is killed by them.

DIAMOND NOTES

Billy Sullivan is mentioned as the probable manager of the White Sox in case Fiedler Jones really does quit baseball.

Manager Dreyfuss expects to have his new ball park ready for use by July 1, 1909. Well, the New Yorks can wait a few straight there just as easily as Mike Donohue is waiting every morning in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium.

Mike Donohue is waiting every morning in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, and keeping at weight than it is to take off, he says. Barney Reilly, who has been variously reported as the Yale freshman football captain and a famous Yale varsity star, a trade name, who was neither, has signed with the Chicago White Sox. What Reilly did do at Yale was to play in the infield on the freshman nine. Since then he has played professional ball and is no longer eligible at Yale.

McGraw received a telegram from Frank Bowman yesterday, offering to make a "merit" pitcher. Graham, catcher, Dahlen, shortstop, and Bates, outfielder, for Seymour and Herzog. McGraw has no particular need for any of the men mentioned, and it isn't likely that he will accept unless it is a three cornered fight where McGraw would go to Brooklyn and New York and get one of the Brooklyn players.

According to present indications the California State league will remain an outlaw. The attempt of Ben Johnson and H. C. Pulliam, representing the National Baseball commission, to straighten matters out on the coast has resulted in failure, because the outlaws and the Pacific Coast league could not agree upon the terms of peace. The trouble arose over the status of the players now in the State league and who belong to clubs in organized leagues. The State league wanted the organization clubs to give it absolute ownership of these players, but the Coast league could not see it that way. The latter was willing to leave the players concerned in the clubs with which they are at present engaged, but in case these clubs wanted to sell them the Coast league intended to the clubs to which they really belong in organized baseball. Pulliam and Johnson are on their way east. Hal Chase, who is playing in the outlaw league, is doing a lot of thinking just now. It is confidently believed that he will come east in the spring and report to the New York Americans.

But if he should decide to remain in California with the outlaws it is not so probable that the New York club will seek to enjoin him in the California courts inasmuch as Chase is under contract to play here next year.

HOCKEY GAME

PROVED FATAL TO JOHN C. PROCTOR

READING, Dec. 25.—John C. Proctor, one of the most popular and skillful members of the Meadowbrook golf club, died of apoplexy at 11.30 yesterday morning, after playing a game of ice hockey.

In company with a party of club members yesterday Mr. Proctor went to Mishawum pond in Woburn, near the Reading line, and entered into the game with a zest.

The unusual exertion was fatal, for 15 minutes after the close of the game and just as he had removed his skates Mr. Proctor had a severe hemorrhage. Dr. E. D. Richmond, who was of the party, did everything possible to relieve the sufferer, but his efforts were unavailing.

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LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

A capacity audience greeted both performances of the popular Fenberg Stock company at the Lowell Opera House yesterday afternoon and evening. Even standing room was at a premium. The company was at its best in the evening when it gave a very clever presentation of the melodrama "King and Queen of Gamblers," special mention would be made of clever interpretation of the roles of "Jack Diamond" by Ralph Hebert, and "Dobbs, Queen of Gamblers," by Miss Amy Schaffer. Some very pleasing vaudeville stunts were performed between the acts. The Fenberg company concludes its present highly successful engagement in Lowell tonight with the presentation of "The Hawk and the Dove," in which the much mooted sheath gown will prominently figure.

"THE MERRY WIDOW"

In a house Miss Anna Bussert, the charming young cantatrice who is singing the role of Nalalie in Henry W. Savage's "The Merry Widow," is an ardent devotee of the Welsh Eisteddfod—the national music festival that is so dear to the hearts of that notably musical people.

For it was the winning of the first prize at an eisteddfod held in her native Ohio when she was a mere girl that determined the future career of this talented soprano. Miss Bussert, by the way, is a native American and, of course, very proud of it, but her mother was born in a little town in Wales whose names uses up pretty much all the consonants in the alphabet.

As a child wearing prematurely long skirts, Miss Bussert began an odd sort of career on the concert stage. While singing, she made the discovery that her voice was unusual and that it was of such quality to command a price. On Sundays she traveled fifty miles, sang in a church choir, then sang again at an afternoon service in another of the prominent churches in the Indiana city and on Saturday the way was made to reach a train that would take her home in time to reach the high school that she was attending.

In New York last season Miss Bussert was accorded a distinguished honor of singing under the direction of Felix Weingartner, the great German conductor, on the occasion of the opera house offering his original production of "The Merry Widow." "The Merry Widow" she will at least postpone her grand opera ambitions.

Miss Bussert will be heard here when Henry W. Savage offers his original production of "The Merry Widow" in the opera house for three days, commencing Tuesday, Dec. 29th.

"THE SHOEMAKER"

A melodrama out of the ordinary and introducing Lew Welch, comedian and character actor, will be presented at the opera house next Monday, Dec. 28th. It is by Hal Reid and entitled "The Shoemaker." During the progress of the play's four acts there is not a dull moment. The action is constant and the play is developed in an intelligent and natural manner. "The Shoemaker" differs from contemporary plays of the kind in that it makes a strong appeal to the heart. There is no attempt at exaggeration or spectacular effort. It is a play founded on the frailties of human nature and constructed by a master hand for the purpose of amusing and instructing.

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LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

The Theatre La Scala which was formerly Funnymand played to packed houses yesterday. The Montana Schoolmarm is a clever and interesting

for Hathaway's theatre during next week, would be hard to find a more. A most expensive bill has been provided, and the patrons of the house are sure to be pleased with it. The headline artists among a host of stars will be Howard and North, the mirth-provoking comedians, who will be remembered for their success as the Rubbe from Wellington, Kansas, and his old schoolmate, a flashy New York sport and barker for a theatre. Their new offering this year is "Back at Wellington," and the New York critics pronounce it even better than the old sketch to which it is a sequel. In the new skit, the rubbe has settled down at home and married, the New York estate left him by an uncle, who just previous to his demise foreclosed a mortgage on the rubbe's home. He also intends to meet his boyhood sweetheart, who came back to the town to claim the estate left him by an uncle, who just previous to his demise foreclosed a mortgage on the rubbe's home. He also intends to meet his boyhood sweetheart, who came back to the town to claim the estate left him by an uncle, who just previous to his demise foreclosed a mortgage on the rubbe's home.

ing story picture of the west in which the love affairs of a big brawny cowboy and a sweet little school teacher are pleasantly told. "Slumberland is a Christmas picture full of surprises and just the thing to interest the little folks. It tells of a youngster's dream in which he imagines that he visits Slumberland Santa Claus' home chaperoned by a kind fairy. He meets with many surprising adventures and in the end wakes up on Christmas morn finding that a part of his dream is true at least. "The Electric Hotel" is a clever French comedy trick picture full of surprises and one of the best laugh producers seen in a long time. The songs are both pleasing "Lonely Lou," and "Your Lips, Your Eyes, Your Golden Hair" are the names.

MORE TRAGEDIES

Two Suicides Reported at Bridgeport

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 25.—Homesick for his mother in their old home in Poland, Joseph Ganzel, aged 22, rose early yesterday, and instead of preparing to go to a Christmas mass as he had planned to do with his roommate, took a small revolver, fired two shots into his body, and died during the forenoon.

At Ridgefield yesterday Mrs. Louisa Menacomb, aged 29, was shot by a man who had had a quarrel with her husband. The man had drawn a revolver and killed himself. He had been talking with his wife and son and seemed in a contented frame of mind.

PERSONALS

Mr. James Wood of New York City is spending Christmas with his sister, Mrs. T. F. McGrath of 465 Central street this city.

There was a very pleasant gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Langell of Pawtucketville Christmas. There were songs by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Babcock, the Misses Elizabeth and Margaret Babcock, and Miss Glibon and Mrs. Wallace Langell. The out-of-town guests were: Miss Elizabeth Babcock, Watertown, Mass.; Mr. W. Wellington, Watertown, Mass.; and Mr. Charles Douglas of Boston.

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SOLEMN SERVICES

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markedly sweet voices. The master of ceremonies at the solemn high mass was John Allen, Captain Paul Clark was assistant and there were six chorists. An unusually large number, for at services in the cathedral there are never more than three chorists.

Those who served in this capacity were: Sergeant Major Joseph Kelley, Capt. George Connors, Capt. Frank Haggerty, Lieut. Arthur O'Neill, Joseph McCartin and Joseph Taft. There were 30 torch bearers and the clergy, sanctuary choir members and altar boys seated within the sanctuary numbered more than 200 persons.

The sanctuary choir was under the direction of Rev. Dennis Sullivan, O. M. I. The vesper service was largely attended. Its leading feature was the procession of little girls in white, singing "Benedictus in the Manor" and "Vindicta Through the Olive Trees." At the crib they made their offerings of flowers, with the usual responsive service. The benediction music included Verdi's "Tantum Ergo," with solo by William L. Gookin. "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name," by choir and congregation closed the service.

Prior to the opening of the vesper service, the members of the Sanctuary choir assembled in the vestibule of the church and sang "A Little Town of Bethlehem," which was set to music by Rev. Dr. Sullivan and an old chant, "Glory to God."

At the 7:30 mass the singing was by the children of Mary, Miss Mary Allen directing the choir.

Sacred Heart Church

Christmas was observed in the Sacred Heart church in an impressive manner yesterday. The large edifice was beautifully decorated with holly and hawthorn, while the sanctuary presented a picturesque appearance. Large ropes of greenery were suspended from the ceiling of the sanctuary and were caught up with large wreaths of laurel. In the background the inscription "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" occupied a very conspicuous position. The three altars also were elaborately decorated with greenery and plants.

Large congregations were present at all the services and during the day the church was visited by people from the different sections of the city.

The first mass was celebrated at 6 o'clock, by Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I. The children's mass was celebrated by Rev. John O'Brien, O. M. I. and special Christmas music was sung by the parochial school choir, Miss Suzanne Ryan presiding at the organ. Rev. Fr. O'Brien also celebrated the 9 o'clock mass, special music being sung by the choir, Miss Mary Allen presiding at the organ. At 10:30 o'clock solemn high mass was sung, commencing with a procession, the choir alternating in singing "See Amid the Winter's Snow." The sanctuary choir, altar boys, students of Tewksbury novitiate and officers of the mass participated in the procession.

The mass was celebrated by Rev. Robert Barrett, O. M. I. and he was assisted by Rev. Fr. McGinn, O. M. I., deacon and Rev. Bro. Edward Fox, O. M. I., sub-deacon. The assistants, Bros. McGinn and Fox are former residents of the parish and altar boys of this church and expect to be ordained to the priesthood next year. Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I. was master of ceremonies and he was assisted by Mr. Jas. Mahan. Special music was rendered, by both choirs. Mrs. Muldoon, organist and directress rendered "Veni Creator," before the sermon.

Rev. Fr. Smith, pastor, preached the sermon. He wished the parishers a happy and peaceful Christmas. He said that the most pleasing feature of the festival was the large number of men and women that received holy communion during the past few weeks. At the offertory Mrs. Muldoon sang Lambillotti's "Pastorale." Novella's "Adeste Fideles" was sung at communion by the two choirs alternating. At the close of mass the procession was reformed, led by Cross Bearer Frank Doherty and two acolytes and marched through the aisles of the church singing Gering's recessional, "Angels From the Realms of Glory."

The children of the parish participated in the evening services, which opened at 6:30 o'clock and passed through the aisles to the crib singing beautiful Christmas carols, "Twain in the Winter Cold," by Rev. A. Young, S. J. and "In a Lowly Manger Lying." While the procession was forming, Mrs. Muldoon played Adam's "Holy Night." Rev. John O'Brien, O. M. I. recited the rosary and solemn benediction was given. Rev. Fr. Barrett was deacon and Rev. Fr. O'Brien and Fletcher acted as deacons. During the services "Ave Verum" was sung. At all the services both choirs sang with much expression and devotion and their work was of a high order. Mrs. Muldoon presided at the organ and directed the choir. She was the recipient of much praise at the conclusion of the services.

Rev. John E. Sexton, a former altar boy of this church, who was ordained to the priesthood last week, will celebrate the 10:30 o'clock mass at the church tomorrow and the services will be attended by Rev. John P. Reynolds, O. M. I. and Rev. James O'Connell, two personal acquaintances of the young priest, and many friends throughout the city.

St. Michael's

Evergreen, mistletoe and holly formed the decorations at St. Michael's church yesterday while an elaborate musical program was given by the choir and choir under the direction of James A. Murphy. A solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. Dennis Murphy, with Rev. Francis Mullin as deacon and Rev. E. A. Carney as sub-deacon. Rev. Fr. Mullin preached the sermon which had reference to the significance of Christmas. Rev. Fr. Shaw, the pastor of the church, was within the sanctuary.

In the church which contributed largely to the excellence of the music were: Mrs. Mabel Ware Murphy, soprano; Miss Nana M. Gallagher, contralto; Mr. Thomas P. Gullagher, bass; Mr. James A. Murphy, tenor.

Vespers in the evening at 7 o'clock brought out another large congregation. Practically the same choir and quartet of the morning service was heard at this service.

St. Patrick's

A congregation that packed the church attended the solemn high mass at St. Patrick's yesterday.

The celebrant of this mass was Rev. Timothy Callahan and he was assisted by Rev. Fr. Callahan as deacon, and Rev. John J. McHugh as sub-deacon. The sermon appropriate to the feast being observed, was delivered by Rev. Fr. Callahan.

The choir, directed by Michael J. Johnson, gave a specially arranged musical program, and the responses of the mass were sung by the members of the sanctuary choir which was under the charge of Brother Raphael. The soloists were Miss Alice Murphy, Miss Frances Tighe, Mrs. James Morris,

MAXINE ELLIOTT TO OCCUPY HER OWN THEATRE



NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—What is regarded as the most costly and handsome theatre of its size ever erected in this country, namely, Maxine Elliott's theatre, New York—will be opened with the usual formalities on Wednesday evening, December 30. The new theatre is on West Thirty-ninth

street, between Broadway and Sixth avenue. The plan of the playhouse, its construction, decorative scheme, general comfort for audience and actor alike, are due to the ingenious thought of Miss Maxine Elliott, who, in partnership with the Shuberts, has expended a fortune in constructing the house. It is primarily, if not essentially, a woman's theatre. Its construction was undertaken with a view of making it not only the home theatre of Miss Elliott, but also of other women stars, including Julia Marlowe, Mme. Nazimova and Mary Marquand. The inaugural attraction, will be Miss Elliott in her latest comedy, "The Chaparral," by Marion Fairfax.

of holly were placed along the galleries with streamers overhead hanging from the ceiling. The electrical illumination at night was superb.

Notre Dame De Lourdes

The first Christmas services held in the church of Notre Dame de Lourdes were attended by large congregations. The cosy little church was most attractively decorated.

Rev. Fr. Denicot, O. M. I., of Tewksbury officiated at high mass, and Rev. Fr. Viaud, O. M. I., delivered an eloquent sermon on the subject of the day, Christmas.

The choir gave an excellent program. The "Messe royale" was well sung under the direction of H. A. Racicot, with Miss Alma Alexander at the organ. At the offertory, Melville's "Pastores Errant Vigantes" was effectively sung by a quartet composed of H. F. Portin, Zephir Daviau, P. E. Boulay and Geo. H. Perrault, with Mr. Fortin as the soloist. At night, Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., officiated at vespers. The Gregorian psalms were sung, and also Lambillotti's "Tantum Ergo," by the choir. H. A. Racicot sang the "Ave Maria," and the offertory sang Gounod's "Ave Verum," both numbers being excellently sung.

St. Louis-De-France

Greenery and many electric lights were used lavishly in the decoration of St. Louis church. Rev. Fr. Duchesneau officiated at the solemn high mass, with Rev. Fr. Trudel as deacon and Rev. Brother Masse, O. M. I., as sub-deacon. The offertory, "Tezoz's harmonized mass," on the first tone was sung with excellent ensemble by the choir, under the direction of Olier J. David. Miss Ida Monaghan played the organ. At the offertory, Lambillotti's "Pastorale" was sung by the choir, with Edouard Lafamme as the soloist. The soloists in the mass were Arcelle Brunelle, Jules Morissette, Edouard Proulx, Telephore Beaupreant, Emery C. Gauthier, J. A. Marion, Elzear J. Larochelle, Adolphe Beauchamp and Edmond Gosselin. At night, Rev. Fr. Jacques officiated at vespers. Stearns' vespers were sung, Lambillotti's "Adeste Fideles" was given by the choir, with Elzear J. Larochelle singing the solo. J. A. Marion sang Wiegand's "Ave Maria," and O. J. David, Panetier's "Tantum Ergo."

St. Mary's, South Lowell

Rev. Fr. Anyot, O. M. I., the pastor, officiated yesterday at high mass at St. Mary's church, South Lowell. The attractive chapel was decorated with an abundance of pine shrubs and evergreen streamers, which with the brilliant illumination on the altars made a very charming scene. The "messe royale" was well sung by the choir under the direction of Chalmers Desforges, with Miss Rose Alba Masse at the organ. At the offertory, the choir sang Adam's "Minuit, chretiens." At vespers, the Gregorian psalms were sung.

St. Jean Baptiste

The young ladies who decorated and managed the Christmas tree are deserving of much praise, for the tree was the prettiest the Sunday school has had. The committee was Belle Valentine, Sadie Leachey and Mary Cox.

St. Jean Baptiste

The beautiful organ at St. Jean Baptiste's church was never heard to better advantage than it was at yesterday's services when Prof. Arthur Martel presided and gave a recital in the evening.

Rev. Fr. Egnard, O. M. I., of Texas, was the celebrant at high mass, with Rev. Fr. Ouellette, O. M. I., as deacon and Rev. Brother Chaput, O. M. I., of Tewksbury as sub-deacon. Rev. Fr. Egnard, O. M. I., preached the sermon on the nativity. At the solemn vespers, Rev. Fr. Denicot, O. M. I., of Tewksbury, was the celebrant, and Rev. Fr. Egnard and Rev. Fr. Graton, O. M. I., deacon and sub-deacon.

The decorations in the church were simple but effective. In the sanctuary, evergreens were used, and wreaths

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LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully I hereby and represents Frances H. Ingles, of Billevea, in said County, that she was lawfully married to Charles H. Ingles, now of parts unknown at Boston, in the County of Suffolk and said Commonwealth, on the second day of January, A. D. 1884, and afterwards your libellant and the said Charles H. Ingles lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at Boston, in said County of Suffolk, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, that your libellant has been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Charles H. Ingles, being wholly regardless of the same, at Boston, in said County of Suffolk, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on the twenty-day of June, 1899, utterly deserted her and has continued such desertion from that day to the date hereof being more than three calendar years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Charles H. Ingles, and that the care and custody of their two minor children, namely, Emma B. Ingles and Charles W. Ingles, may be left to her.

Dated this twenty-second day of December, A. D. 1908.

FRANCES H. INGLES.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, Dec. 24, A. D. 1908.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before the Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of February next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least, before the said first Monday, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

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RED LEATHER BAG lost, containing amethyst rosary, marked, at Northern station, Wednesday morning. Reward at 312 Bridge st.

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LADY'S GOLD WATCH with initials E. N., lost Dec. 21, between Kirk and Race sts. Finder return to 15 Kirk st. and receive reward.

GOLD WATCH with Ford lost between Russell Bldg. and Fidelity's cafe. Monogram G. L. R. Finder notify Box 51, Chaffinch Bldg., 22 Central st.

POCKETBOOK found containing money. Owner can have by proving property and paying for this ad. at 315 Central st. 214 Merrimack st.

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CHRISTMAS JOY

Gifts Were Distributed at the Local Protestant Churches

The Episcopal churches of the city observed Christmas in an elaborate manner as in the Catholic churches, while the churches of other denominations held the religious observance on last Sunday and devoted yesterday to Christmas trees and entertainments.

At St. Anne's.

Services were held on Christmas eve in St. Anne's church while the chimes welcomed the day with Christmas carols. There were decorations of green and white. The holy communion was celebrated at 7 o'clock a. m., and there was the usual Christmas service with a sermon, at 10 o'clock, followed by the communion service. The Christmas hymns and anthems were especially well sung by the vested choir, and the customary musical parts of the regular prayer-book service were more elaborately set than usual.

St. John's Church.

At St. John's church in Gorham street there was an early communion service, and a Christmas service at 10:30 followed by communion. The Christmas music was sung by a vested choir. The decorations were ropes of green festooned from the gothic rafters.

Professional: "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

Reading: "The Nativity." Venite: "Come, O Children, Worship."

Te Deum: "Te Deum." John E. West.

Benedictus: "Benedictus." B. Tours.

Hymn: "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing." Mendelssohn.

Kyrie: "Kyrie." Eyre.

Hymn: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear." C. Villis.

Offertory: "There Were Shepherds." A. R. Gaul.

Sanctus: "Sanctus." J. Stainer.

Gloria in Excelsis: "Gloria in Excelsis." Old Chant.

Recessional: "Angels from the Realms of Glory." H. Smart.

House of Prayer.

Owing to the illness of the rector, Rev. Eugene F. Heald, the usual Christmas day services were omitted at the House of Prayer in Walker street, with the exception of the midnight communion, which was celebrated by Rev. Edmund Booth Young of St. Luke's church, Chelsea.

The service was the full choral eucharist. There were elaborate decorations of evergreen and holly, with a profusion of flowers around the altar.

At Pawtucketville.

Mr. George Palmer officiated as Santa Claus at the Christmas tree of the Sunday school of the Pawtucket Congregational church last evening.

Christmas trees laden with gifts formed the decorations. The following program was presented: Exercise by Miss. Section's class; recitations by Emily Page, Sophie Hughes, Evelyn Mills, Annie Hobbs, Helen Williston, Emma Keworth, Florence Blackford, Edith Ethel Williston, accompanied by Miss Jackson. "Oh, Little Star of Bethlehem," recited in unison by Frances Johnson, Evelyn Mills, Edith Cameron and Elizabeth Barrie.

Eliot Church.

A Christmas tree supper and entertainment were the feature of the Christmas party at the Eliot church, at which 250 persons were present.

The children made merry during the afternoon and supper was served at 6 o'clock. Mr. George S. Hull officiated as Santa Claus and remembered everyone in person. Santa Claus was assisted by Alvin McKee, W. J. Blake and Miss Harriet Wakefield.

Fifth Street Baptist.

The Bible school and friends held their annual Christmas entertainment at the Fifth Street Baptist church, last evening. A beautiful manger scene was displayed and there were two Christmas trees. At the manger an invisible choir was heard in Christmas songs. The account of the Saviour's birth from Ben Hur was read and an explanation of Jesus' idea of Christmas was given by Rev. G. W. Fuller. The Three Wise Men then appeared in Oriental costume and a solo was given by Louis M. Sweet.

Those who took part were the following:

Wise men, Mr. Roscoe B. Thomas, Mr. M. L. Canes, Mr. Wm. M. Park; reader, Miss Florence Sittes; story, Rev. G. W. Fuller; members of school, Miss Gertrude Sittes, David Waring, Miss Shaw, Burton Sittes, Miss Jennie M. Shaw, front boy, Arthur Isherwood; Indian boy, Milton F. MacDonald; show boy, James Clayton; brakeman, Paul Sweet; Japanese, Roy Fuller; Chinese, Albert Whitman.

A generous offering was taken for the work of the American Baptist Missionary Union in foreign lands.

First Trinitarians.

The Sunday school of the First Trinitarian church held its annual Christmas tree and entertainment last evening with a large attendance.

At 7 o'clock an entertainment, consisting of the following numbers, was given: Reading, George Williams; song, Curtis Mudgett; recitation, Agnes Jeyes and Dorothy Moody; sketch, "A

Santa Claus Nap," by the members of the different classes.

At the conclusion of the entertainment, Santa Claus, in the person of Walter Robinson, distributed 250 boxes of Page's candy to the children as well as the presents sent by the parents.

A pleasant feature of the evening's program was the presentation of a picture, Raphael's "Madonna of the Chair," to the Sunday school, by Rev. and Mrs. Kennigott. The picture is one secured by Mr. Kennigott, during his recent trip through Switzerland.

The pleasant affair was in charge of Supl. Albert Ludwig who was assisted by Mrs. C. T. Upton and Miss Elsie Cragin.

Branch Street Baptist Church.

Christmas exercises were held last night in Highland hall by the Branch Street Baptist church. The entertainment opened at 7:30 o'clock with an operetta entitled "A Mother Goose Christmas," in which a number of the members of the Sunday school took part. Following the entertainment came the distribution of Christmas gifts.

The entertainment and tree programs were under the direction of Miss Eloise B. Hills. E. R. Holzell made a splendid Santa Claus. Mrs. Walter Brown took the part of Mother Goose in the playlet, and Mrs. F. W. Bowen assisted largely in the management of the affair.

Those who took part in the operetta and assisted in the distribution of gifts were: Mrs. Walter Brown, Miss Hazel Sargent, Master Paul McGregor, Dewey Aldrich, Phyllis Brown, Albert Pearsall, Harold and Helen Stephens, Eliot and Kenneth Roberts, Ralph and William Burg, Earle Stevenson, Stella Earle, Beatrice and Blanche Smith, Edna Clement, and Irene Christian. Miss Sarah Clement was the pianist of the evening.

First Baptist.

The Christmas tree festival at the First Baptist church was held on Christmas eve. The stereopticon entertainment included over 100 views of the life of Christ, and also pictures of Mr. L. T. Trull, superintendent of the primary department; of Rev. Dr. Wallace, and of the coming pastor, Rev. S. W. Cummings. The explanatory address was by Rev. G. E. Young.

There were two beautiful Christmas trees, laden with gifts and illuminated by electric lights arranged by Mr. John Carter.

At proper time, Santa Claus appeared and the gifts were distributed to over 100 children in the primary department, and others. There was a large attendance.

Universalist Sunday School.

The members of the Sunday school of the First Universalist church enjoyed their Christmas tree the evening before.

The entertainment opened with a Christmas cantata entitled, "A Friend in Need." There were four musical numbers in the piece, the following taking part: Brownies, Hutchins, Bennett, Francis Fletcher, Richmond Bickholder, Charles Bickholder, Donald Estabrook, Sidney Varney and Robert Kittredge and fairies: Mae Bangs, queen, Gladys Jenkins, Virginia Thompson, Linna Carrauthers, Agnes Ferguson, Dorothy Leeds, Marion Downs, Gladys Long and Ruth Dickey.

L. H. DeVoe, superintendent of the Sunday school, was the Santa and the Christmas tree on the stage was made the centre of all interest after the cantata. The brownies and fairies assisted in the distribution of presents. The evening's pleasure closed with the serving of ice cream and cake.

Christmas Tree Exercises.

The annual Christmas tree exercises were held Thursday night at the North Billerica Baptist church. There were two large trees heavily laden with gifts which were distributed during the evening. Selectman Harry G. Sheldon acted as Santa Claus.

A delightful supper was served and the following entertainment program was given:

Recitation, "No Stockings to Wear," Beatrice Ellis; recitation, "A Christmas Song," Annie Moran; recitation, "Santa's Secret," Dorothy Booth; recitation, "No Santa Claus," Ruby Treffry; exercise by five girls, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks." The affair was held under the general direction of Archibald Ritchie, superintendent of the Sunday school.

Other Churches.

A Christmas cantata "Santa's Mixup," and tree, were the attractions at the Paige Street Baptist church.

What happened to Santa," a delightful cantata was given at the Centralville M. E. church.

A big Christmas tree was held at the Central M. E. church.

A children's festival and distribution of gifts took place at the Ministry of Large. Over 100 gifts were distributed.

A Christmas tree and a play were the attractions at the French Baptist church.

THE NEW RULER OF VENEZUELA



WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The coup of General Juan Vicente Gomez and his assumption of rule in Venezuela is regarded in some European quarters with suspicion. Cables from London intimate that Castro was cognizant of the coup, but this view is not shared at Washington. Germany looks with

favor on the new government and the French newspapers hail with satisfaction what they consider the definite downfall of Pina Castro, and commend the energetic attitude of Holland as an important influence in the collapse of a reign of violence and insecurity.

WOMAN RESCUED

Taken From Burning Building in Lawrence

LAWRENCE, Dec. 26.—Narrow escapes from death were connected with a slight fire last evening in the cellar of a three-story, six-tenement block, 17 Valley street, owned by John D. Murphy.

The blaze which started in some old shingles, and is believed to have resulted from an overturned lamp, created a dense smoke which would have suffocated some of the tenants, had it not been for the firemen, who explored every room and rescued two.

Emily McDonald, who appeared at a window in the third story, crying for help, was saved by Lieut. Gibson, who lifted her out and delivered her to Fireman Thomas Craven, who carried her down a ladder to safety.

Assistant Engineer Troy, in searching a room on the second floor, came across the inanimate body of Eddie Kuchinski, 2 years old, and took him to a neighboring house, where a doctor saved him. Several persons escaped in their night clothes.

The damage from the fire was confined to the cellar, and is believed to be not more than \$100. It is covered by insurance.

MATRIMONIAL

Mr. Frank Cornell Judson, an overseer in the Middlesex mills and Miss Alice May Nash, were united in marriage at the home of the bridegroom's mother, 35 Hurd street, Thursday afternoon at five o'clock by Rev. J. C. Manchester. D. D. Mr. Nelson Nash of Springfield acted as best man and Mrs. Nelson Nash as matron of honor.

The bride wore a dress of white silk, Princess style. She carried white roses. After the ceremony, a wedding supper was served to friends. There was a number of out-of-town relatives and friends present. There were many beautiful presents, including one from the overseers in the Middlesex mills, and several from friends in Italy. The house was handsomely decorated for the occasion, holly leaves and white pinks forming the greater part of the scheme.

Mr. and Mrs. Judson left for their honeymoon on the 3 o'clock train. They will visit Toronto. On their return they will live at 35 Hurd street.

KELLEY-WELCH.

Mr. Welles B. Kelley of 11 Burdette street and Miss Margaret Welch of 32 Newhall street were united in marriage Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Charles Burton, 32 Newhall street, by Rev. A. E. Kenyon.

ROPER-HUBLEY.

A very pretty home wedding took place last night at the residence of Mr. Joseph Caron, 412 Fletcher street, when Miss Blanche Maude Hubley and Mr. Albert Henry Roper were united in marriage by Rev. Asa Reed Dille.

The best man was Mr. William Henry McElroy and the bride was attended by Miss Blanche Wright.

The bride's gown was of white chiffon batiste trimmed with white satin. The bride carried a shower bouquet of white roses. The bridegroom was groomed in white blue messaline silk and carried white carnations.

The ushers were Mr. Leslie L. Blake of Melrose Highlands and Mr. Walter Colburn of Boston. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Leslie L. Blake.

Following the ceremony light refreshments were served by Miss Annie Wright and Miss Mary Peabody. Rhoda Dean, Sadie Dean, Flora Green, Rena Chapman, Elizabeth Shepard, Marion Dean, Eva Robinson and Ella Bernhardt. Mr. and Mrs. Roper were the recipients of many beautiful gifts, including valuable articles of cut glass and silver.

The happy couple left on the 9:35 o'clock train for a short wedding tour. They will be at home after Jan. 10, 1909, at 404 Fletcher street.

GOUDREAU-LARREAU.

Mr. Thomas Goudreau and Miss Laurina Larreau were married yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's rectory, by Rev. Fr. Brulard, O. M. I. Messrs. Tamara Goudreau and Fortunat Heroux served as witnesses.

GREGOIRE-CLOUTIER.

Mr. Hector Gregoire and Miss Marie

HELEN M. GOULD

Is Probing Death of Young Student

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or, at least, she made other people think so—but what she thought and how she felt and what she did makes a story that will hold your interest to the end. Read "The Pride of a Girl" in the January WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, and read the other stories, too—those by Anna Katharine Green, Mary Heaton Vorse, Anne Warner, Florence Morse Kingsley—nine good stories for all the family. "My Reminiscences," by Edward Everett Hale, and a famous love scene by Howard Chandler Christy, are also in this

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LOWELL Y.M.C.A.

Was Snowed Under at Brockton

BROCKTON, Dec. 26.—Lowell Y. M. C. A. didn't have a look-in with the Brockton association boys at basketball yesterday afternoon, losing 46 to 12. Lawson, Pitcher and Roach put up a brilliant game and the team pass work was a distinct feature.

Score—Brockton Y. M. C. A. 46, Lowell 12. Goals from floor—Reardon 2, Lawson 4, Fletcher 7, Chase 4, Roach 3, Stack, Sheehan, Cody, W. Grant 2, Craft. Goals from fouls—Chase 2, Cody 4. Referee—Knox. Timer and scorer—Nash.

In the preliminary game the All-Collegians defeated the Brockton Independents 28 to 15.

LOWELL WON

SALEM, Dec. 26.—In the annual basketball game between Lowell and the Now and Thens, played here yesterday afternoon, the visitors won by 26 to

10. The contest was interesting. The summary:

Lowell: Tighe, rf; Hill, lf; Church, c; Lynch, rb. Now and Thens: lb, Ebsen; rb, Hurley; c, Sullivan; lf, Brown; rf, Miller; rf, Dickinson.

Score, Lowell 26, Now and Thens 10. Goals from floor, Lynch 4, Hill 3, Tighe 4, Brown, Miller, Ebsen 2, Hurley, Fouts, Lowell 2, Now and Thens 2. Referee, Sullivan. Timer, Peole. Scorer, Yale. Time 20m halves.

NOW AND THENS WON

SALEM, Dec. 26.—The Now and Thens defeated Lowell at Salem last night in an interesting game by 29 to 28. The former had two new players, Briggs and Miller, both of whom did fine work. Dickinson scored the winning goal just as the gong sounded. The visitors received a bad roasting from the referee who kept frequently calling fouls. The Lowells showed themselves the better team. The summary:

Now and Thens: Dickinson, rf; Briggs, lf; Miller, c; Ebsen, rb; Hurley, lb. Lowell: lb, Ebsen; rb, Lynch; c, Church; lf, Hill; rf, Tighe.

Score, Now and Thens 29, Lowell 28. Goals from floor, Ebsen 5, Dickinson, Miller 2, Briggs 5, Church 3, Lynch 4, Hill 7. Goals from fouls, Hurley 3. Referee, Sullivan. Scorer, Bushford. Timer, Peole. Time 20m halves.

MANY SEEK HOMES

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 26.—Hundreds of homeless seekers are settling in the Moose Jaw district, according to an announcement made from the Dominion land office there.

Six hundred applications were made in one day this week.

The land office states that never before in its history has there been such a rush for land as there was this week.

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PARISIAN FASHIONS FOR THE GLAD NEW YEAR

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Of course all Paris that can possibly crowd in will be at the early solemn high mass at Notre Dame as usual this coming New Year's morning. And a glorious service it is, an uplift for the soul. The entire month of January, beginning with the first day of the year, is a strenuous time for the Parisian, a time of great social activity, for it is absolutely obligatory that each and every member of a family shall pay a formal visit to the grandparents, sisters, cousins and aunts of his or her particular line. Presents, too, are on this first day of the incoming year exchanged among the grownups, the children having received theirs at Noël. Good resolutions even the stranger within the gates is supposed to make, and perhaps the most self-sacrificing renunciation for femininity is going to be the resolve not to indulge in any more fascinating winter frocks. And, apropos of clothes, a great change has come over the spirit of dress since last New Year's day. Then we were content to regard as new fashions that differed little from their predecessors. Now we have executed a complete volte face and have reached back a hundred years or more to the somewhat alarming, yet wholly delightful, modes of the directorate, which we have adopted almost in their entirety. It remains to be seen whether we will prove more faithful to them than did the fickle belles of the end of the eighteenth century, who soon abandoned them for the classic lines of the empire. We on our part have reversed this order; we have passed through the empire vogues first and so have arrived finally at their starting point. As to what will follow, who can tell?

Changes in Styles Since Last Year.

Since last New Year's our skirts have narrowed to infinitesimal width, our waists have mounted higher and increased in size, our sleeves closely define the arms and shoulders, our hats have descended lower and lower over our foreheads and ears, and our collars have raised themselves to vial Dominique Sampson called "prodigious" heights. Such is the bald outline of the fashionable silhouette.

The outaway coat, though much longer in its skirts, and the short trowsers skirts are still with us for utility's sake, but every other modish detail has altered almost beyond recognition. Every other corsage, for example, shows the inevitable guimpes and the square Byzantine empiement with wearing monotony, and the evening frocks are creations that depend on masterly draping for smart effects.

So insistent is the capricious goddess of fashion in suppressing any exuberance in our outfits that it seems as if there would be little left to remind us of the feminine form divine. Hips, bust and shoulders are all submitted to the attenuating process, while the waist best achieves the desired effect by being conspicuous for



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its absence. Yet we find the latest silhouette charming because it is the latest, and the newest fashion is always our ideal of beauty, while the discarded mode, dipping down below the horizon to take its place among the "have beens," is voted ugly and condemned.

The line of beauty, as we all know, is no longer curved; the straight one from the shoulders downward is the coveted one, and embroideries, braiding and trimmings are all arranged in square designs to carry out the conventional effect. Pillars are no more synonymous with frocks, and it is evident in all this studied straining after simplicity, which to be successful means expensive workmanship and a master hand to carry it through, the ideal is to get away from the common herd, to secure the distinction by attention to line.

Evening wraps form an interesting study. They are either built on the lines of the old Roman toga, falling in sumptuous folds and loose ends, one of which can be thrown over the shoulder for extra warmth just as the Roman did in the brave days of old, or they are fashioned like a priestly vestment, with straight back and narrow fronts and enriched with embroidery that outshines their ecclesiastical prototype. The close fitting redingote belted in satin is one of the newest of the new outside wraps.

The tailored costume at its latest is expressed in coarse serge, and the

coat is practically covered with braiding and the short skirt so narrow that it is slit up the side for a few inches to give greater ease in walking. The smartest suit I have seen recently of a tailored type had a redingote suggesting a soutane or cassock, absolutely plain and tight fitting, molding the body from shoulders to feet with only one or two rows of buttons down the front for ornament and a deep leather belt worn very high waisted. Such simplicity requires for its complete success a perfect figure and a

perfect cut. The large fur turban and the immense muff are the proper finish to such a tailored costume. The marabou turban has already fallen a victim to popularity. It put in an appearance here, there and everywhere and is now avoided by the exclusive elite. The large hat is adorable in its sweeping curves, and, robbed of its high crown, which in the summer made it a monstrosity, it no longer looks ridiculous when seen with a moderately large brim. It is at its best trimmed with long uncurled ostrich plumes or a skillful drapery of satin or velvet, though, as I am forced to record what is absolutely newest, I must mention the bands of fur which envelop the crown and sometimes form the entire hat and make of it not so much a thing of beauty as a weariness to the flesh with its weight and heat.

The New Diversion.

Now, what do you think is the latest amusement, or, as the French say, *nouveau jeu*? It is to find out what was worn a century ago, exactly date for date a hundred years back. What was generally the fashion is of course easy to decide, every woman knows, but to describe accurately and in detail a toilet of that distant past is not so simple. It must not be a style of yesterday or even of tomorrow. It requires study, research and erudition. A carelessly copied or fancifully imagined toilet would ruin your reputation for elegance. What you have must be authentic. This trick of authentic dressing is amusing, but grows tiresome if carried too far. It is, however, the newest fad, and we may notice its effects everywhere. I do most sincerely hope this craze will soon yield to another craze less learned and, let me speak my mind, less boring. For instance, you meet a friend who is in the "awful," while you yourself are not exactly there—you are ignorant of the new trick, the *nouveau jeu*. In fact—and the following dialogue takes place: "Good morning, dear. How are you?" "Your Tallien is lovely."

"Glad you think so."

"I do, indeed."

"You know, darling, of course, what made most sensation on Nov. 10, 1803?" "Really, you don't say so! No—I!" "On Nov. 10, 1803, there were few redingotes in velvet because they spoiled the effect of the cashmeres, which were so much in vogue then. The redingote was just a trifle shorter than the white petticoat showing beneath it. The hats were yellow, yellow touques or capotes. What I have seen also is a pistachio colored hat and a 'sort of small corset'—corset is the word used—worn over the dress, not unlike the masculine spencer and which slips off like a shawl."

"Well, I am not a 'small corset,' but I will slip off all the same. Goodbye, dear!"

And off you slip, wondering whether your friend is in her right senses or not. And there lies the beauty of this *nouveau jeu*. It is perhaps witty; it is certainly startling.

CATHERINE TALBOT.

The Merry Heart In Woman "Goes All the Day"

WITH the advent of cold weather the large hat disappears and the jaunty fur turban takes its place. This is the smartest thing now being worn.

It is made of white fox, lynx or mink. The white turbans are trimmed with gold rosettes and stiff gold quills. They are very becoming because the shape is made rather high, more on the order of a military hat.

Nearly every woman in this town is wearing a black lynx set. It is a furor. If I were a black cat I would run for my life, because I don't believe for one moment the supply of black lynx can equal the demand. Anyway, it is all very pretty, whatever it is. The muffs are of the rug order, lined with shirred silk, decorated with the head and paws. The stoles are wide, on the collar order, ornamented also with heads and tails. When these are worn over colored tailor made suits with a big black hat the effect is stunning.

A new neckpiece has been invented. It is called "the devil." It is made of black satin, lined with red silk. In form it is very odd, eight gores ending in points, top and bottom flare out to fit the neck and shoulders. This is long enough to form a shallow yoke effect and high enough to reach the tip of the chin. The whole effect is very smart.

Coarse net much on the order of that used for window curtains is all the rage. It is used for waists, guimpes and even whole dresses. The last are trimmed with bands of net, embroidered heavily with floss or soutache.

Irish lace, both the real and the imitation, is dyed in a variety of shades, gray being the most popular. I have seen a dress of gray Irish lace most beautifully combined with cloth panels, hand embroidered. These were drawn straight into a short waisted effect of the gray lace draped to one side with a big buckle. The hat which went with this was of velvet, covered with gray plumes, and the coat of lace and cloth had a collar and cuffs of chinchilla. Of course the boots worn with such a dainty toilet were of gray suede.

In evening dresses the sleeves almost disappear. They take the form of mere caps, often transparent ones, and fashion demands that the gloves worn with them should be of suede of exactly the same shade. They should be the longest length drawn up as tightly as possible and held in place by means of an elastic band sewed into the upper edge of the glove in such a manner

that it is invisible. The shirred silk elastic with the fancy bow is no longer in good taste.

The Spick and Span Style.

Tailor makes show the influence of the empire styles in a marked degree. There is no waist line to the coats, which fall absolutely straight and fit without a ripple across the hips and back. The skirts are very scanty, and where they are not extended above the waist line a wide belt of the same color is worn with them.

The new petticoats are in many cases made with jersey tops to give smooth fitting hips, and when this is not the case they are made of soft silk and gored most carefully so that they button down the back.

If a woman is naturally untidy in her dress, she should wear the simplest costumes possible. A tailor made is easiest to keep spick and span. The waist can be laundered and cleaned, while the straight lines of the coat are not easy to rumple. A fancy dress, on the other hand, is a constant pitfall to the unwary girl who is not "particular." Guimpes have a way of rising up in the back and looking most untidy. Braid and trimmings get tipped, and jabots and sash ends badly adjusted are enough to ruin a Paquin creation.

If your clothes are too much for you, Miss Careless, wear simple ones, but, oh, be spick and span, with every button sewed on and every hem even.

The Merry Heart Goes All the Day.

The woman who philosophizes in this world is struck by many things.

For instance: This world is divided into two classes, those who are alive and those who are not. They ought to be separated from each other by a great partition, but unfortunately this does not exist.

The quick and the dead are allowed to mingle, even to marry, ye gods! And why is this? Oh, it's a wise dispensation of Mother Nature.

She doesn't care how we feel about things. She moves us around like puppets so well bent on the whole world and turns a deaf ear to our own discomfort. Can you see what would become of this world if it were otherwise? Half of us would be drawing life's dividends twenty years ahead of time, and the rest would carry up into death nothingness like dead leaves.

If you are really alive and life is a great and beautiful thing to you, be grateful for it. There are so many people who go stumbling through this world and find it dreary because they

keep their eyes fixed on the ground. If you have a canary singing in your heart and your brain is clear and eager, be thankful you have more than riches. You are alive in every sense of the word—divinely and beautifully alive.

Little straws show which way the wind blows. The woman who begins things without halting them need never hope for success. Examine yourself, madame. How about that course in china painting? You never finished? How about those shirt waist

patterns still lying in that upper drawer? One day you are full of ambition. You talk as if the world was already yours. The next you are lying on the divan nibbling bonbons and reading a silly novel. Do you think that is the

way to win out in life? Consider it. If you want to be bright, go with bright people, don't waste your time with a lot of conventionally stupid persons. If you are quiet in your tastes and want to stay so, why try to keep up with a noisy, fashionable crowd that tires you to death? "Tell me who you go with and I will tell you what you are," is one of the few true proverbs that have been written. "Tell me how you do things and I will tell you what you can do," is also a truism.

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GREETING THE NEW YEAR WITH SMILES.

If you are at present doing something you were not intended to do, if you are struggling with some mode of life or work utterly distasteful, of course you are not happy. You can't be. But find out what you are most adapted for and do that thing whether it is making a home, taking care of a family or shaping a career. You'll soon discover that life is anything but a desolate spot or an antechamber to the other world where one simply means and waits. On the contrary, it is filled with beauty and with interest.

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